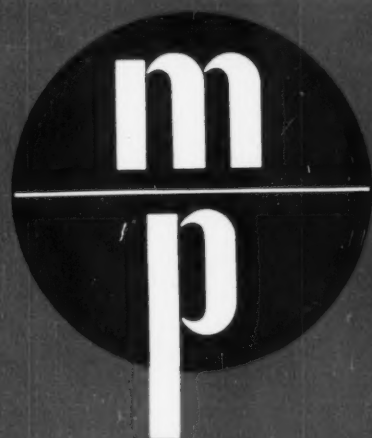


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MATERIAL
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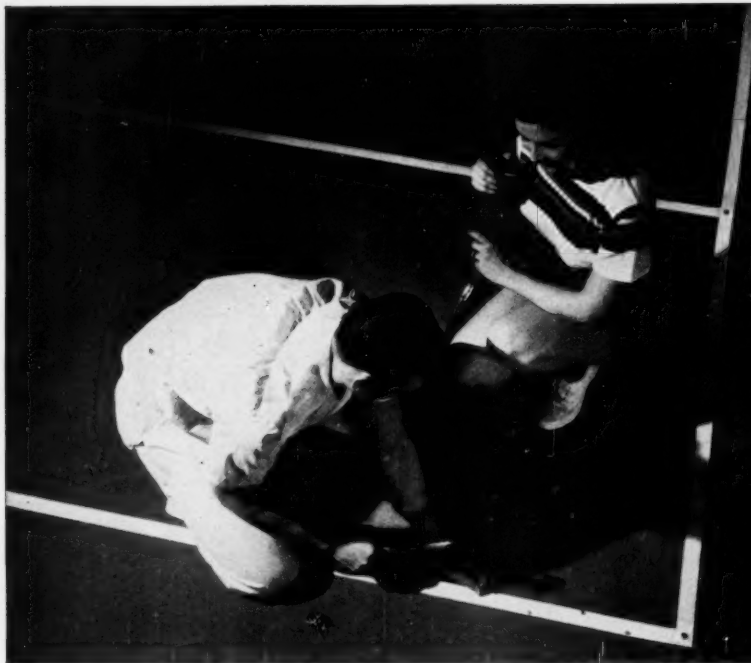
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EDITORIAL

The Public Learns More About Plastics

A most important development of the past few months has been the increasing attention paid to plastics by consumer magazine editors, as evidenced by a number of recently published articles.

In April, *Liberty* devoted seven pages to the subject "At Home With Plastics," illustrating a living room, bedroom, bath, and kitchen and describing the plastics used therein. In April, also, *Fortune* ran a 10-page section entitled "A 1950 Guide to the Plastics," highly detailed and with full-color illustrations. In May, *Living* magazine did a three-page feature on "It's Fun to Work With Plastics," building the story largely around hobbycraft in transparent materials. In its May 20 issue, the all-powerful *Saturday Evening Post* produced a major color feature entitled "The World Goes Plastic". Even the roto section of the May 21 edition of the *Sunday News*, New York, ran a page on plastics.

While all these presentations left much to be desired in the way of technical accuracy and balance of emphasis, all of them had three important common denominators: enthusiasm for plastics, a healthy respect for the accomplishments of this industry, and a friendly, easy approach to the problem of introducing the reader to the admittedly monstrous names assigned to plastics materials.

In every one of these cases, the writer said to his readers in effect: "You'd better get acquainted with these plastics materials so that you can make the best use of them." In every case he said: "Don't let these complicated names disturb you; in time you'll learn them and know what they mean." In every case the

writer said: "Plastics are wonderful modern materials which can enrich your life and improve your standard of living."

Most significant factor in the whole thing was the conspicuous absence of any mention of misapplication. Indeed, the onus of responsibility for consumer satisfaction in plastics products was placed directly on the shoulders of the reader. It was put up to the public to learn how to buy and use plastics.

Every person in the plastics industry who has ever attempted to tell a lay audience about plastics can appreciate the magnificent job done by these writers, themselves laymen. A careful study of their teaching techniques can help plastics industry people improve their advertising, sales promotion, labeling, and public relations. The biggest stymie in this industry's public relations has always been the difficulty of familiarizing consumers with the different types and uses of plastics materials. Now these magazine writings have developed new methods for beating that stymie.

To the public relations executives in the industry, our heartiest congratulations on their share in promoting and facilitating this development. To S.P.I. and P.M.M.A., also, a bouquet for work well done in helping to prevent confusion and in assuring that the common interest of the industry would best be served in these articles.

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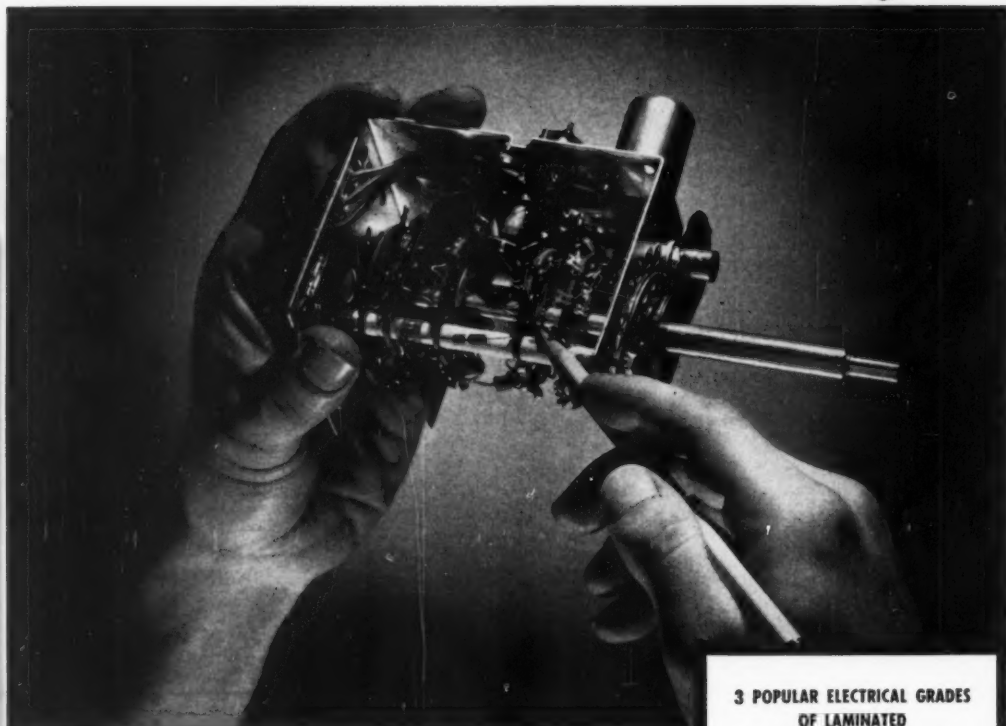
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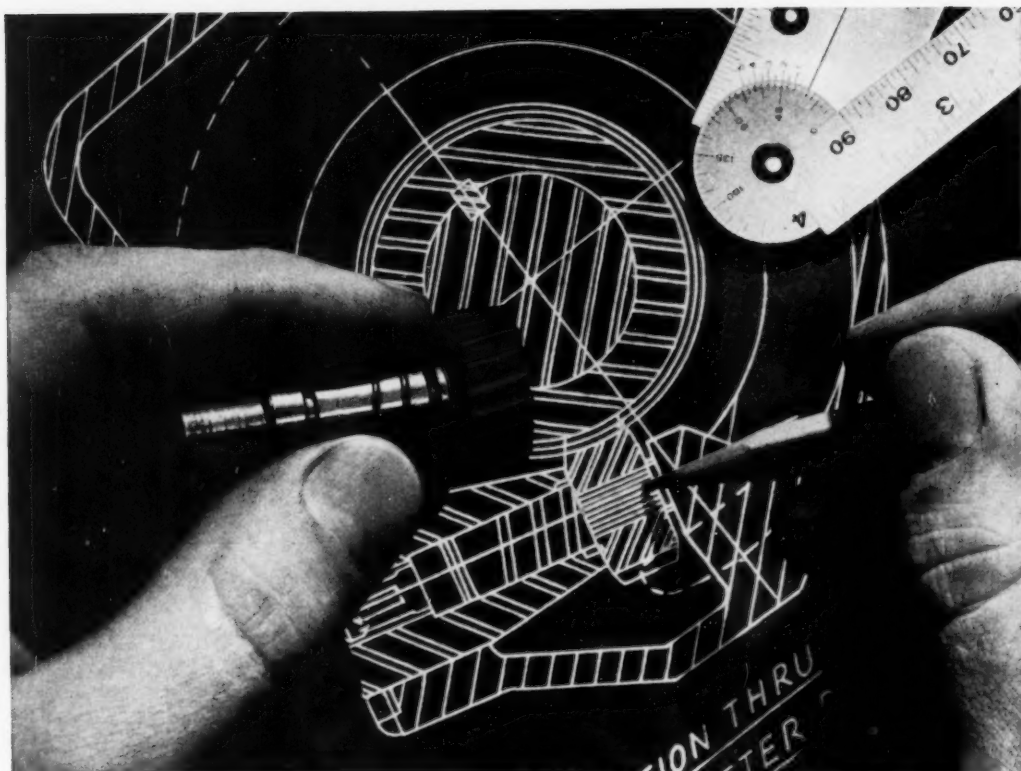
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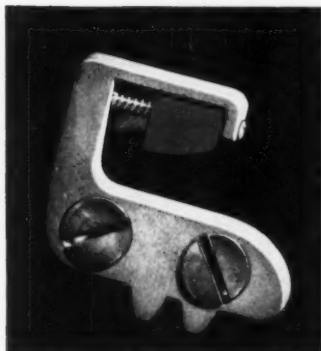
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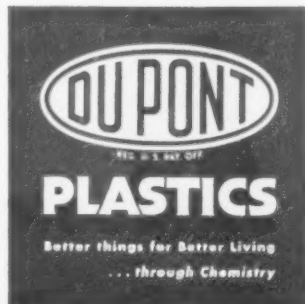
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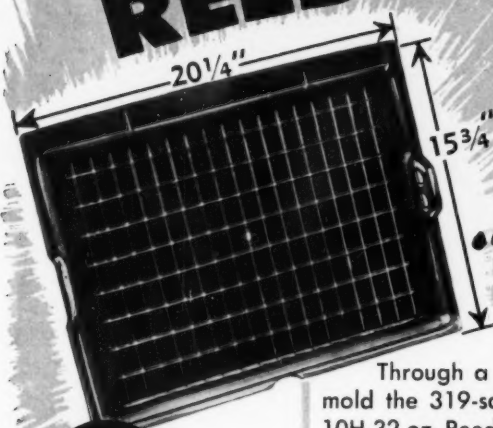
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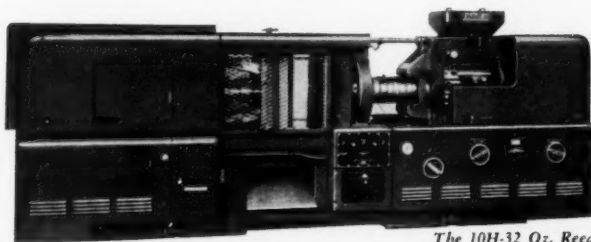
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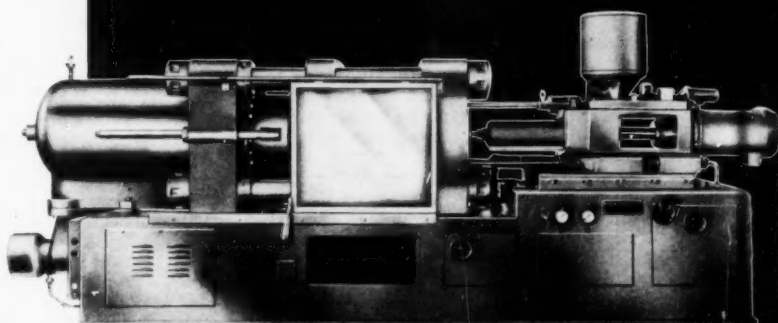
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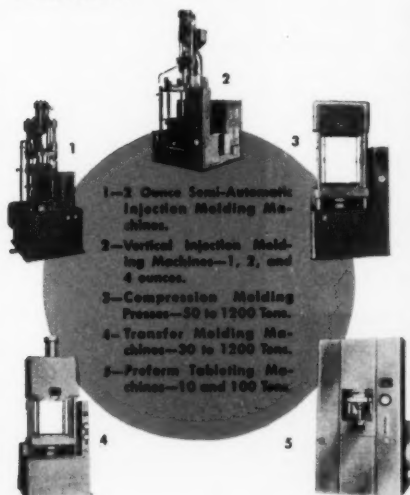
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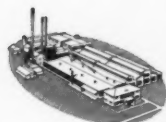
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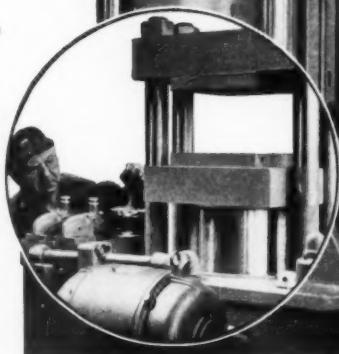
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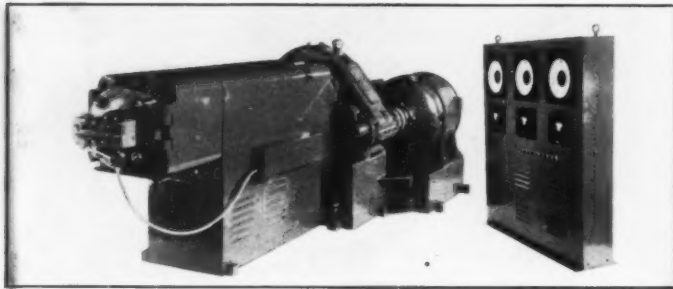


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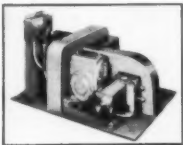
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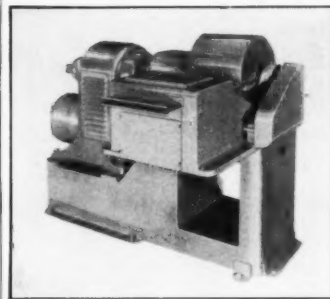
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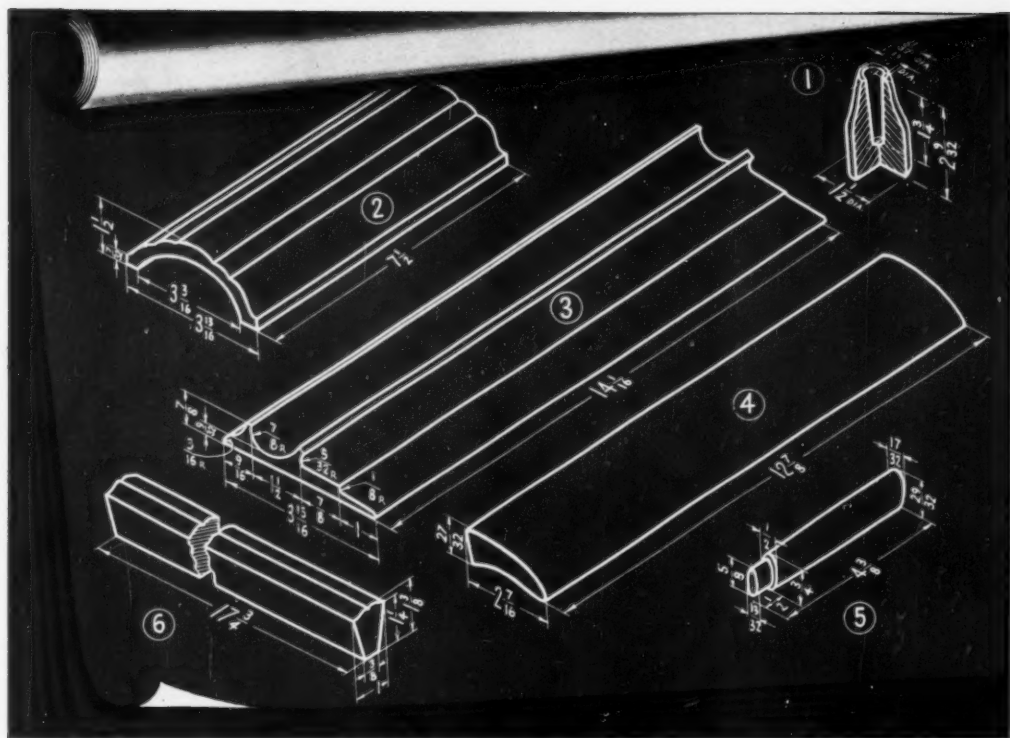
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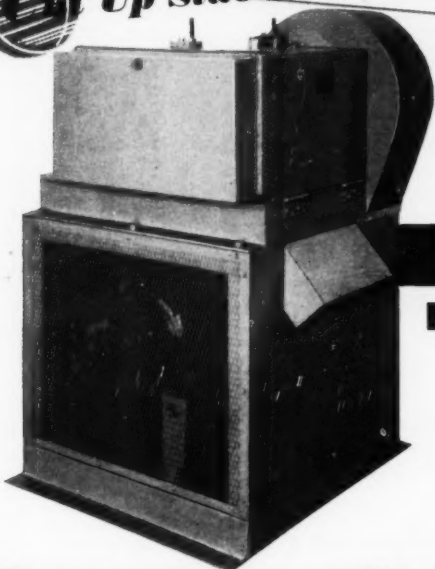
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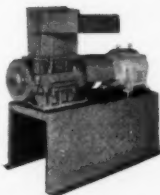


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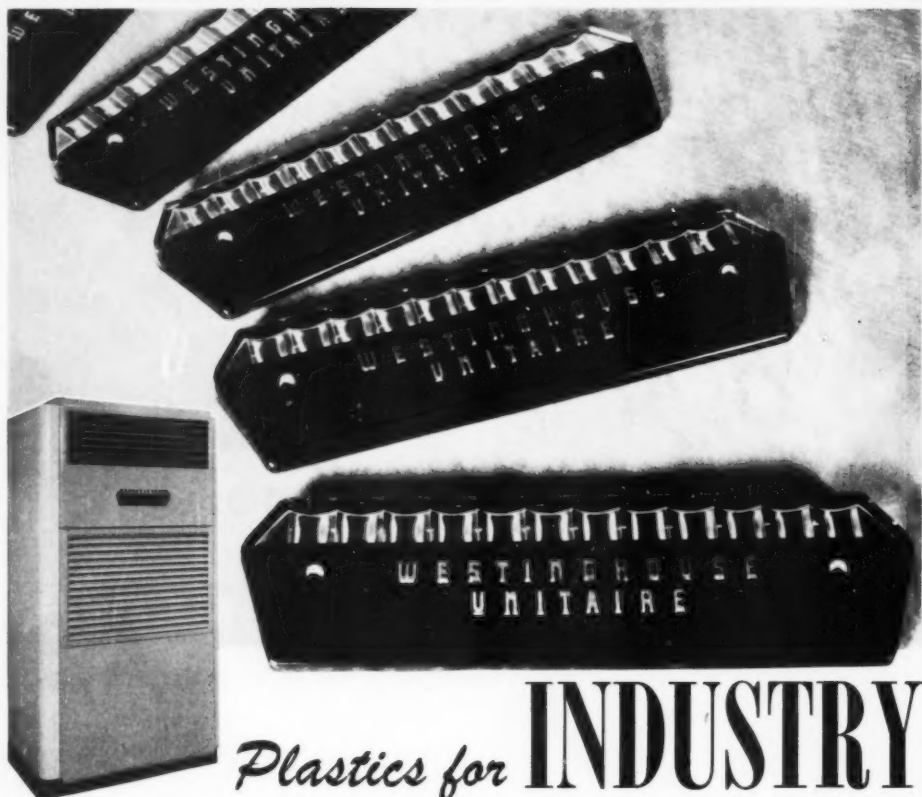
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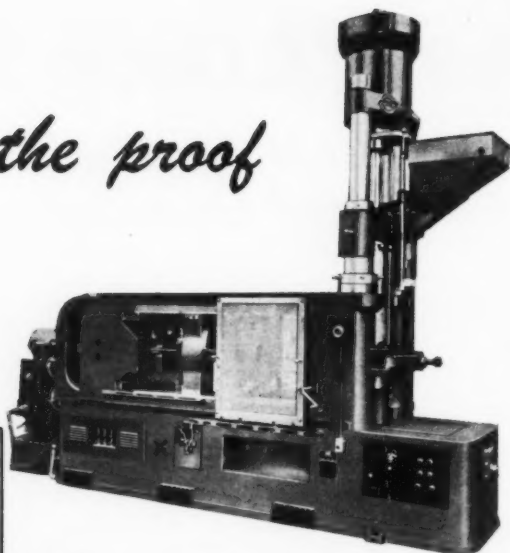
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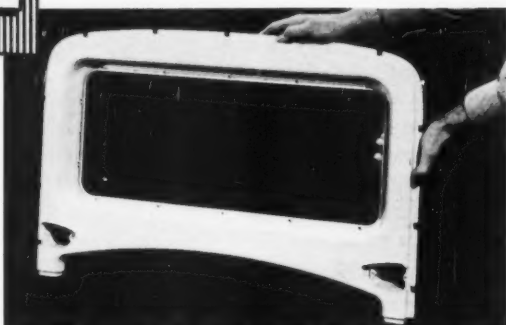
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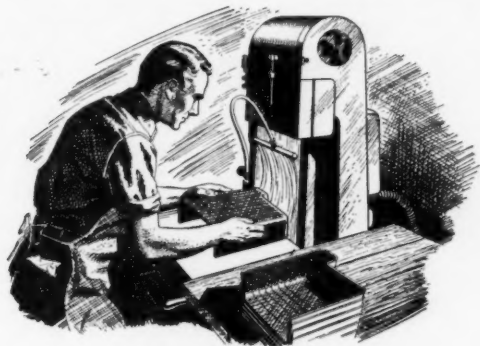
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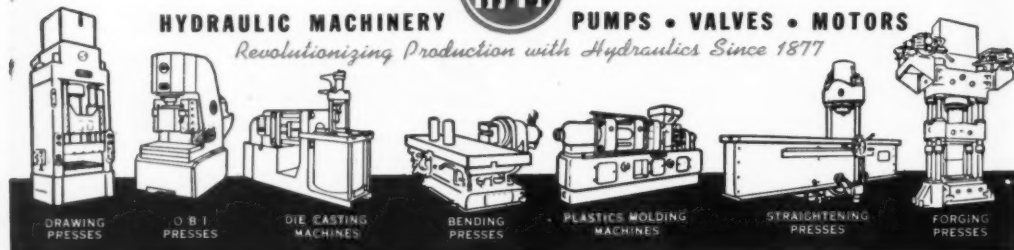


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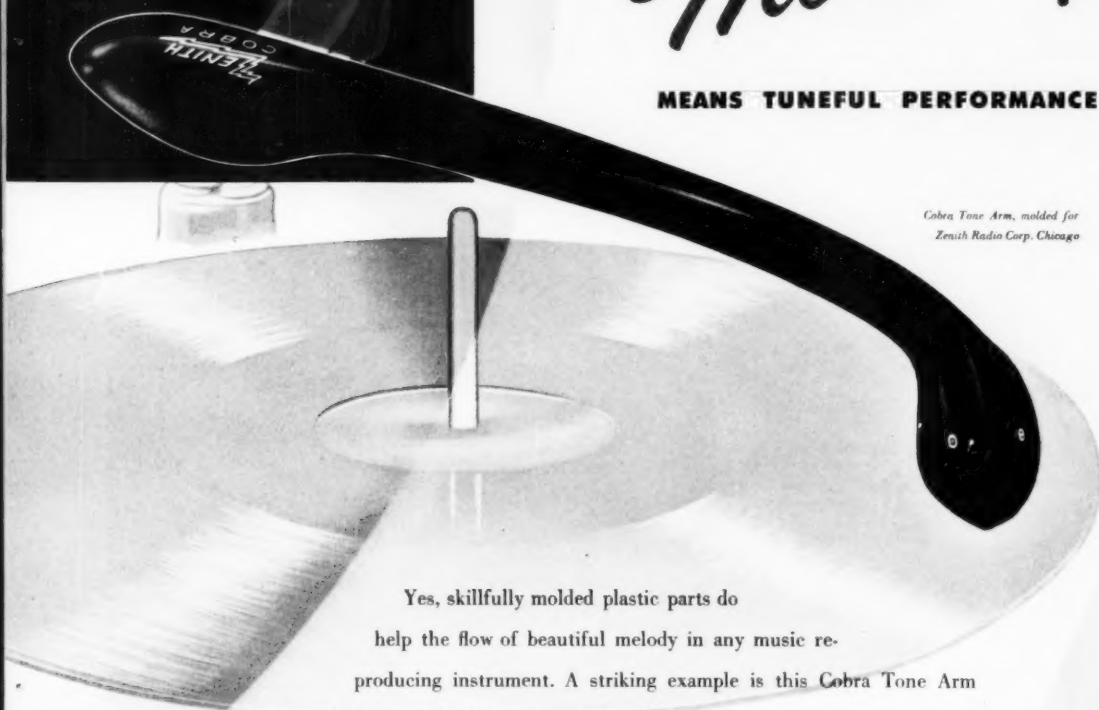
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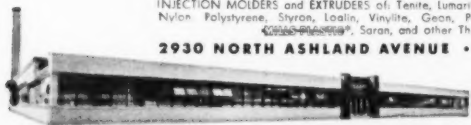
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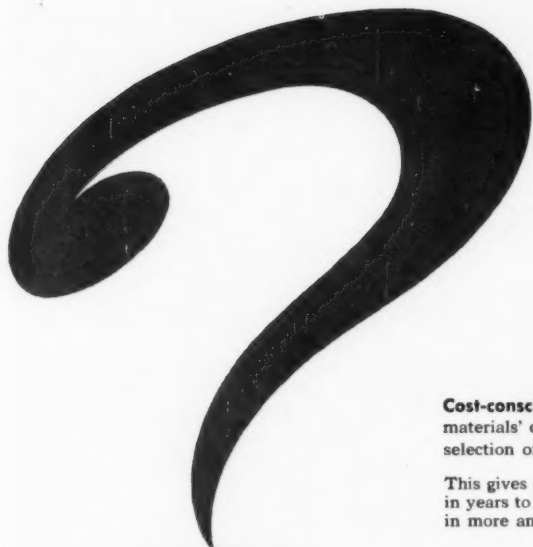
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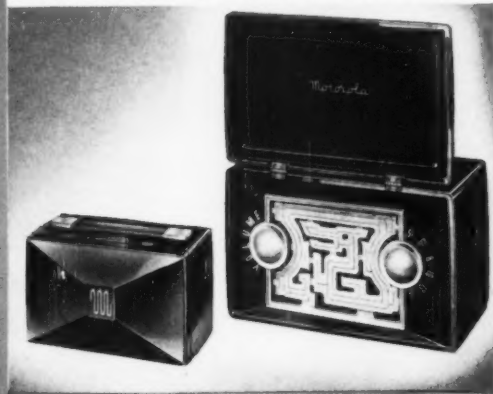
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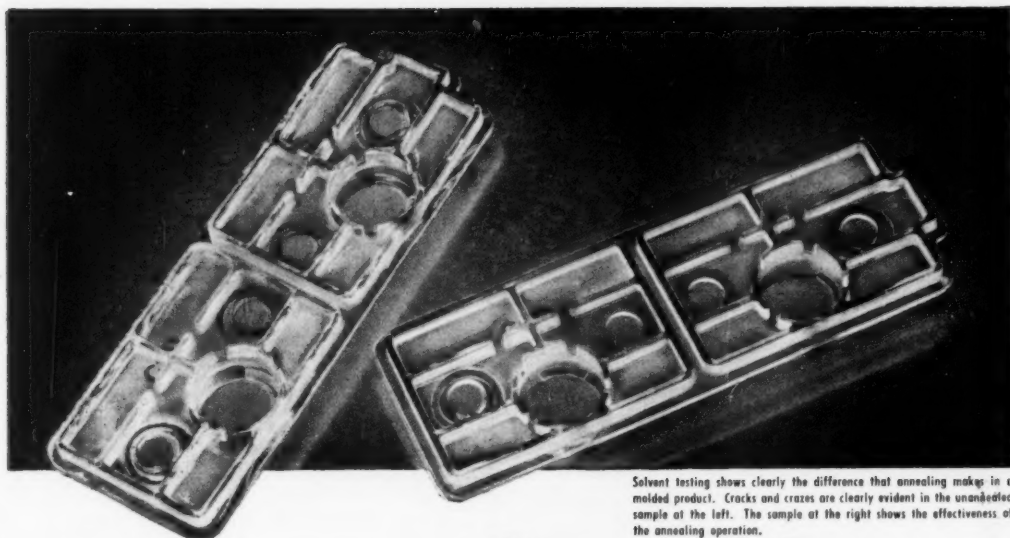
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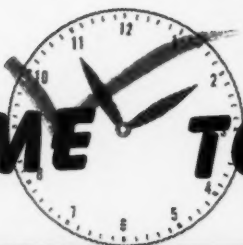
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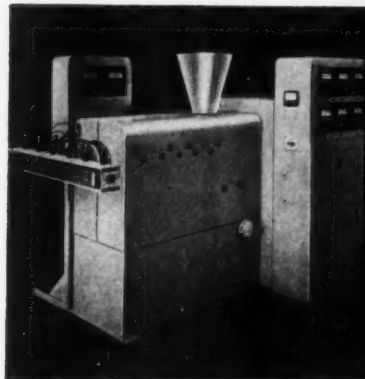
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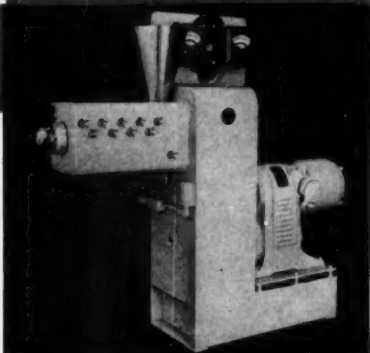
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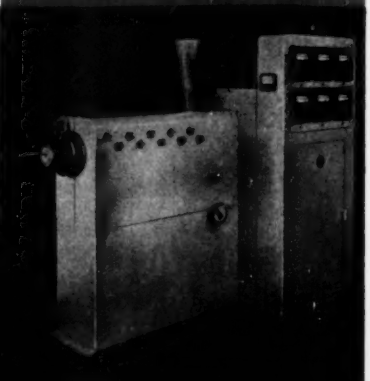
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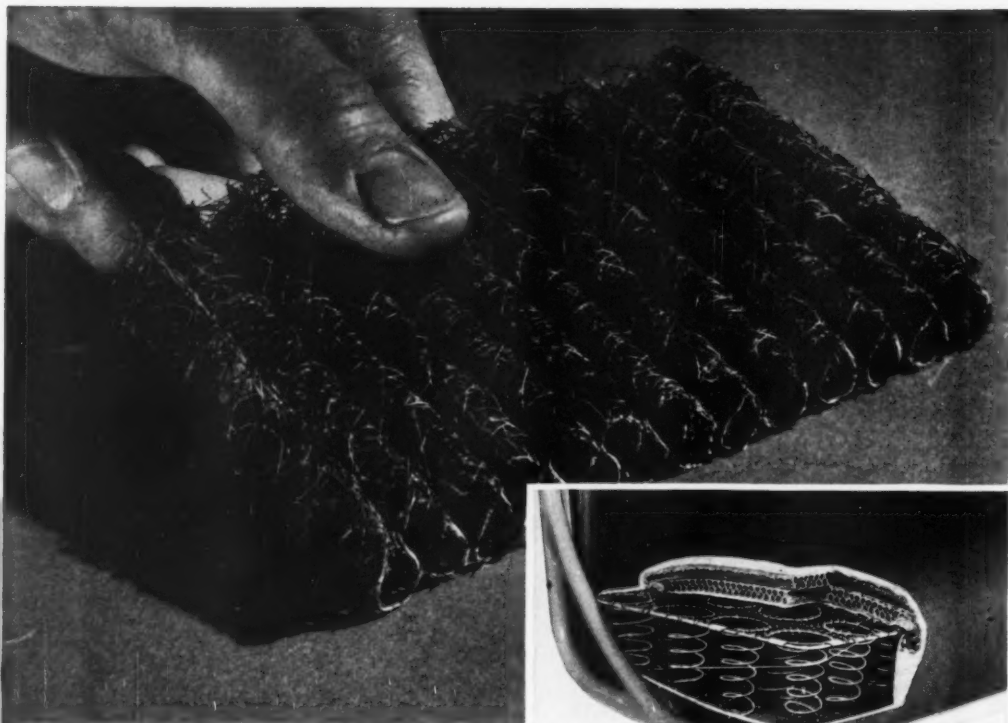
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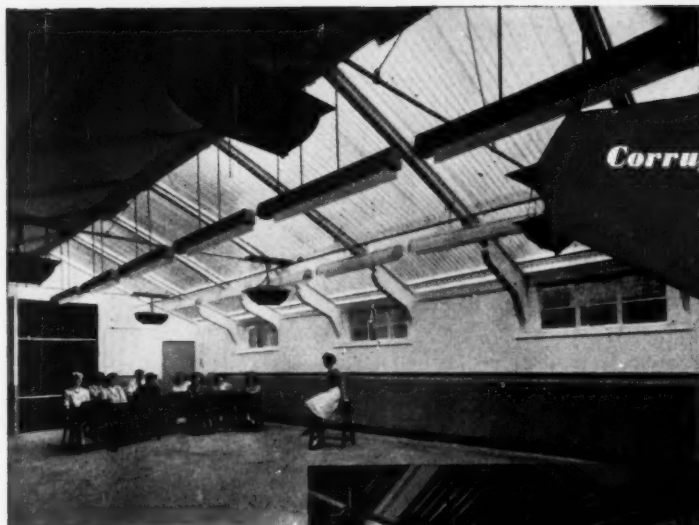
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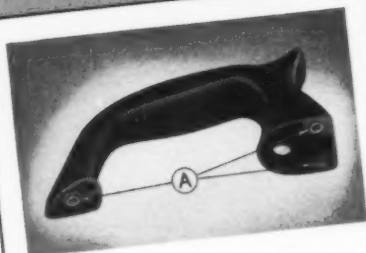
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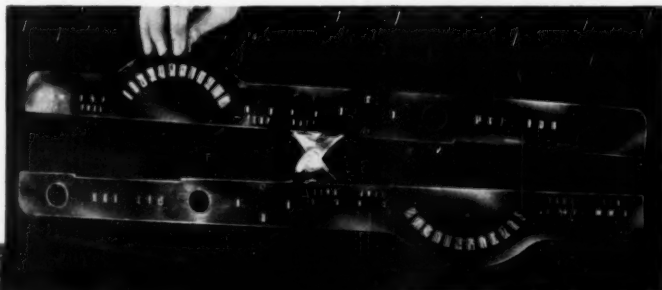
THANKS primarily to a revolution in refrigerator design, huge injection moldings are now at a point in progress from which it is possible to assess trends in production and application of big thermoplastic pieces.

Other end-use fields have contributed to this progress; notably the automotive field, the television field, the display field, and the toilet-seat field. But more than half of the large pieces produced today are refrigerator parts, and current demand for still larger pieces centers in refrigerator design.

So big is this present demand for

thermoplastic big shots that orders for machines of 32-oz. and greater capacity are six to eight months ahead, and the output of such machines is frequently sold in advance of installation. With 47 plants hav-

ing injection presses of 32-oz. capacity or better and 13 or 14 having 48-oz. or larger presses, the seller's market in large pieces is something to behold. On order now are at least 30 presses of 60- to 80-oz. capacity, two more in the 120-oz. range, and at least one that will do a 200-oz.

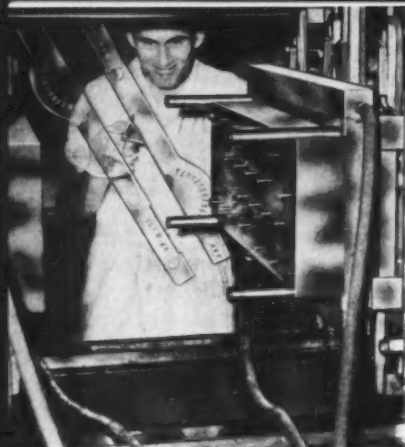


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1 (above)—One-piece acrylic dial cluster for Mercury dash is molded in two-cavity die at a rate of 35 cycles per hour

2 (left)—Cluster as it appears when installed in 1950 Mercury





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3—Machine operator removing Mercury dash cluster from mold

shot. On the drawing boards are still larger presses; they'll sell easily when they are ready to be built; their output will probably be booked in advance. An idea of the colossal investment represented by this trend toward larger machines may be had from the fact that one mid-western molding plant this year is putting a million dollars into new, large presses and accessories.

Of course, large thermoplastic pieces have been made for several years—mostly on unconventional

presses. The Exide storage battery for jet planes¹ was molded in two glued-together parts by Proton Div., Pro-phy-lac-tic Brush Co., Florence, Mass.; then it was molded in a single unit by Stokes Molded Products, Inc., Trenton, N. J., on the famous "tin can" press²; more recently, similar-size battery cases have been molded by Mack Molding Co., Arlington, Vt., in its private-design vertical transfer-type presses. Steering wheels have been molded in large sizes for several years, some on unconventional presses.

Engineering Gimmicks

There has also been considerable large-piece molding on medium-size conventional injection machines (16-22-32 oz.) by engineering gimmicks which made it possible to produce moldings larger than the rated capacity of the press. Satisfactory pieces have been made by using two injection strokes to fill out a large mold. It is also possible to "pack" the injection cylinder. In this "packing" trick, the piston is operated two or three times with the mold closed and a piece in it. As a result, more than the normal amount of material is compacted into the cylinder for the next shot. While

¹See "Industrial and Machinery Award," MODERN PLASTICS 26, 137 (Sept. 1946).

²See "One-Piece Molded Battery Case," MODERN PLASTICS 26, 81 (May 1946).

What Are the Limits?

For a look into the future of large injection molded thermoplastic pieces, the past may serve as a guide. In 1947, an 11-lb. compression molded piece was BIG; in 1950, 80 lb. of phenolic is being molded in one short press cycle. In 1947, the weight of injection molded thermoplastic pieces was referred to in ounces; today, even though pieces are still referred to in ounces, many machines are shooting 5 lb. of material in one cycle and machines are available that can inject 13 lb. of thermoplastic in one shot. Bigger ones are coming. One thing is sure: machinery and techniques will keep pace with the needs of end-users.

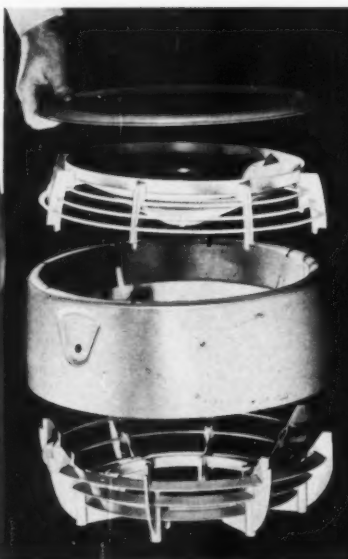
"packing" is generally conceded to produce better parts than double-stroke injection, it slows the cycle, strains the machine, and is poor operating practice. Some machines have had their capacities upped by the use of bigger cylinders, which throws the pressure ratio of clamps vs. injection out of balance if large-area pieces are being molded.

Today it is no longer necessary to use conversions and gimmicks



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4—Air circulator has housing made up of four molded plastic parts with a total weight of 6½ pounds



5—Circular housing consists of thermosetting top piece; grills, cowl, base are molded of styrene

6—Base for circulator, shown below with sprues, is molded on 48-oz. machine in single-cavity die



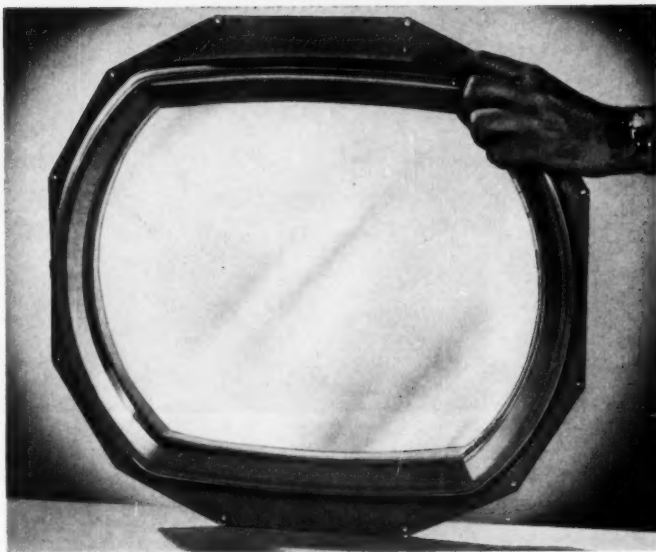
in order to produce satisfactory injection pieces in large sizes. Standard machines are made with ample capacity to plasticize and inject in one stroke of the piston the amount of material required for piece, sprue, and runners, with clamping pressure suitable for the job.

Developments in thermoplastic materials have kept pace with the demand for larger pieces and with injection machine progress. Styrene modifications, copolymers, more dimensionally stable cellulose, and improved acrylics all have found new outlets in larger pieces.

In general, and in the case of refrigerators in particular, large injection-molded pieces are used to replace stamped enamelled metal. The plastic pieces have the advantages of light weight, freedom from odor and taste, resistance to chemical and moisture attack, warmth to the touch, and surface and color permanence. Probably most important of all, injection molded pieces have a definite design advantage in that they can be snapped into position easily in a fraction of the assembly time required for metal components.

Besides these ordinarily advantageous properties of plastics, Evans T. Morton, director of engineering, Major Appliance Div., Admiral Corp., Chicago, Ill., states that plastics are particularly good from the standpoint of heat conductivity and hence may be used wherever a thermo-break is required. He also stresses the fact that the possibilities inherent in large molded pieces enable the refrigerator maker to eliminate sub-assembly work by replacing as many as four or five parts in a previous assembly with a single piece of molded plastic. Both Mr. Morton and O. E. Norberg, manager, Appliance Engineering, Crosley Div., Avco Mfg. Corp., Cincinnati, Ohio, make a strong point of the unlimited decorative possibilities of plastics. The best example of this in large size is the inner doors of refrigerators, molded of transparent material and decorated from the back, giving beautiful multi-color detail and a smooth surface.

Not only metal, but wood, glass, and even fabricated plastic laminates are being displaced in certain applications by large molded thermoplastic pieces. In television, the



COURTESY LOMA PLASTICS, INC.

7—Escutcheon mask for 19-in. Admiral television set is molded of clear styrene; mask area is painted from rear. The piece measures 19 by 22 inches

mask framing the face of the video tube is frequently molded today, replacing wood; in at least two cases the mask contains an integrally molded lens which covers the whole face of the tube.

The automotive field is beginning to use large injection moldings, too.³ The Mercury dashboard cluster shown in Fig. 1, 2, and 3 is made by Cruver Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill., in a two-cavity die at a rate of 35 cycles per hour. Both Lucite and Plexiglas powders are used. This cluster contains dial scales for speedometer, ammeter, radio, clock, and fuel and oil gages. It solves the problem of glass breakage in so large a piece, but the chief reason for its being made by injection molding is speed and quantity of production. The piece fits into a die casting on the cowl; hence dimensional accuracy was vital, and careful control of molding temperatures was necessary.

In more and more cases, large plastics components are planned, not to replace other materials, but to make possible—with reasonable economy—products that could not otherwise be made. A good example is the Fresh'nd-Aire Circulator de-

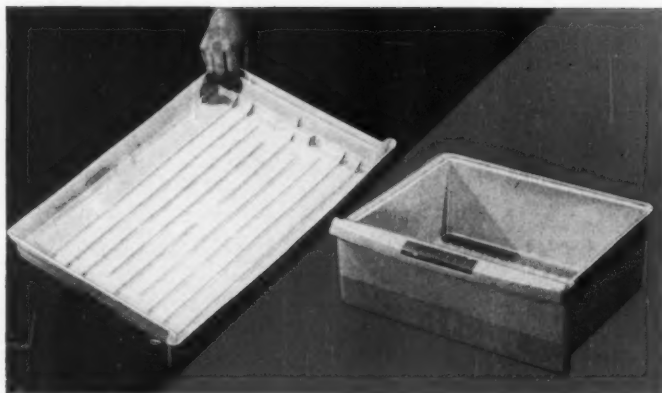


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8—Breaker strips are being replaced by larger breaker frames. This four-piece frame measures 31 by 62 inches

³See "Polystyrene Covers Cowl Panels in 1949 Nash," MODERN PLASTICS 26, 74 (June, 1949).

9—Freezer drawer for Admiral refrigerator is molded of high impact styrene material



10 — Refrigerator crisper pan is made of styrene. Mold temperatures are of critical importance

signed by Chas. E. Jones & Assoc., Inc., for the Fresh'nd-Aire Div., Cory Corp., Chicago, Ill. This product embodies eye-appeal, strength, utility, safety for children, and greatly decreased costs over other materials.

The product is illustrated in Fig. 4, 5, and 6. The housing is made up of an assembly of four large plastic parts: the top, the grille, the cowl, and the base. All are molded by General American Transportation Corp., Plastics Div., Chicago, Ill. Only the top disk is compression molded of a thermosetting material; all the other parts are injection molded of grey and yellow Styron. Total weight of plastic parts in the unit is 6½ pounds.

Only Plastics Would Do

An examination of both the base and the grille in the exploded photograph in Fig. 5 shows that such a piece could literally not have been made at any reasonable cost by any other method or out of anything but a plastic material. The grille is made in a single-cavity mold on a 22-oz. machine. The base, also a single-cavity piece, is run on a 48-oz. machine. The cowl, which weighs over 42 oz., is produced in a single-cavity mold which has an ingenious toggle action core pull operated by an air cylinder to core the side switch hole and the engraved section on the cowl. This piece is also run on a 48-oz. press equipped with a special device to control the critical temperature of the mold, a step made necessary by the fact that there are certain extra-heavy sec-

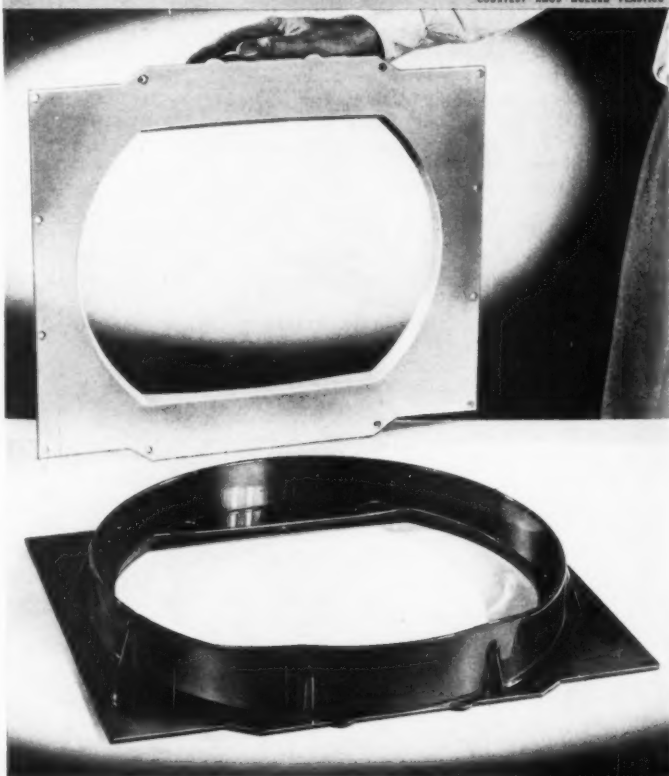
tions designed to give strength to the molded part. Even on a 48-oz. machine it has been found necessary to maintain extra pressures and higher temperatures to assure the elimination of flow lines between the heavy sections.

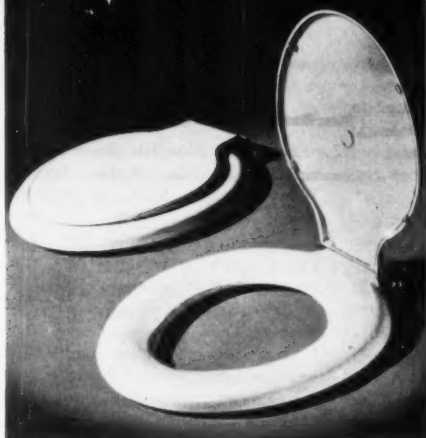
A pioneer in this business of large

injection moldings is Loma Plastics, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas. Figure 7 shows the 19-in. escutcheon mask made by Loma for Admiral Corp. This piece is 19 by 22 in. in size and has a 0.20-in. section in the center. It is molded of clear material and is decorated by painting the

11—RCA television mask, originally made of thermosetting material, is now being injection molded of styrene in double-gated converted compression mold

COURTESY AMOS HODDER PLASTICS

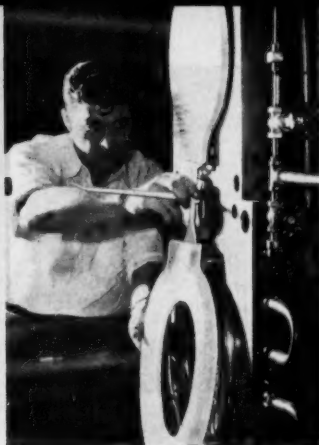




13 (left)—Toilet seat is injection molded of cellulose acetate butyrate

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14 (right)—The lid and frame are molded simultaneously for color match



mask area from behind with gold. The shot is styrene (Dow 61, Monsanto PIX, Koppers 31 crystal) and weighs 51 ounces. The mold for this piece was a hot-runner type and had to be run at 184° in both cavity and core. A variation as little as 2-3° caused surface defects.

Figure 8 well illustrates the trend in refrigerator breaker-strip design as influenced by the use of large injection moldings. The strip is no longer a strip; it has become a frame 31 in. by 62 in. high. The four-piece breaker frame shown is made by Cambridge Molded

Plastics Co., Cambridge, Ohio, for Admiral Corp. The top section is produced on a 32-oz. machine, the bottom on a 28-oz. machine, and the sides on a 16-oz. machine. Dow high-impact styrene was used throughout. The pieces are designed not only to snap together easily but to snap into position on the front of the refrigerator with a minimum of assembly labor. A further indication of the trend toward using even larger but fewer parts is the fact that forthcoming refrigerators will have this part made not of four pieces, but in one.

Two Admiral refrigerator parts—the freezer drawer shown in Fig. 9 and the hydrator or crisper pan shown in Fig. 10—are both made of Dow 475 impact Styron in grey. The freezer drawer is produced by Cambridge and the crisper pan by Loma. Again, particularly in the case of the Loma molding, the critical importance of mold temperatures is shown. The cavity side of this mold ran at 120°, the core side at 110°; the shot was centered with a small 1/4-in. gate. Loma is currently cycling this 47-oz. shot at one per minute.

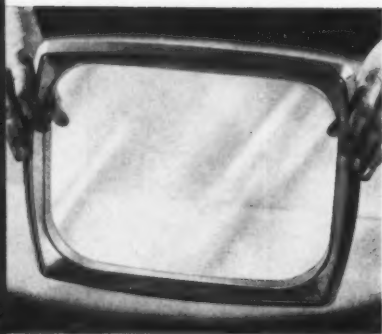
Compression Molds Converted

For purposes of increasing production speed from a given mold, there are some cases where molds originally made for large thermosetting pieces are being converted to injection molding. For example, the RCA television mask shown in Fig. 11 and 12 is now injection molded of styrene by Amos Molded Plastics, Edinburg, Ind., in con-

12—RCA television mask, shown below as it is being taken out of the mold, weighs over 33 ounces. Front surface has rough finish to reduce light reflection

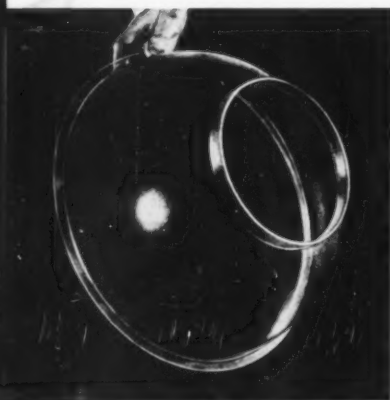
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15—Admiral television escutcheon and window is one piece of styrene



COURTESY SANTAY CORP.

16—Pop corn machine dome with deep draw is in one 29-oz. piece

verted compression molds. It is double-gated, weighs a little over 33 oz. and has heavy wall sections running up to as much as $\frac{7}{32}$ inch. The front surface of this part has a rough finish to reduce light reflection, the finish being produced by a sand-blasted surface in the mold. The main problem in converting the mold was that of securing proper draft for the various thicknesses required in the piece. In this piece, again, dead-on cycling and careful control of necessarily high mold temperatures overcame problems of preventing shrink and flow marks.

The cellulose in the large injection molded scene are represented by the toilet seat shown in Fig. 13 and 14, molded for Beacon Plastic

and Metal Products, Inc., New York, N. Y. The seat is molded of Tenite II cellulose acetate butyrate by the Panelyte Div., St. Regis Paper Co., New York, N. Y. Speed, economy, and the necessity for accuracy of color match between lid and frame were the reasons for doing this job in one molding operation; the cycle is less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ minutes. Panelyte, with a large stake in refrigerator industry by virtue of its laminated inner door liner business, and fully aware of the trend toward greater use of large injection molded thermoplastic pieces, is stepping into injection molding of

use of heated molds and extremely close temperature control.

Glass Would be too Heavy

For Pabst Blue Ribbon beer, The Standard Products Co., Plastics Div., St. Clair, Mich., molded the Plexiglas sign shown in Fig. 17 and 18. Each piece weighs 34 oz., and has a projected area of 224 sq. in. and an average thickness of $\frac{1}{8}$ inch. In this case, the piece could have been made of glass but would have been subject to breakage and would have weighed too much for economy of shipment and handling.

Figure 19 shows three refrigera-



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17—Blue Ribbon Beer sign is molded of acrylic in one piece. Sign weighs 34 oz., has 224-sq. in. projected area. Average wall thickness is $\frac{1}{8}$ inch

large parts with a new plant devoted exclusively to this work.

Another Admiral television escutcheon is shown in Fig. 15. This is molded by Santay Corp., Chicago, Ill., out of clear Styron. The shot weighs 28 oz. and, like the previously mentioned escutcheon, has the mask portion decorated from behind. By Santay, also, is the popcorn machine dome shown in Fig. 16. This is a 29-oz. piece with a very deep draw which required the

tor pieces turned out by Mack Molding Co. The center unit is a complete breaker frame for a small Crosley refrigerator; the two 54-in. long pieces are for the breaker-strip assembly on a larger refrigerator. As in previous refrigerator applications of large molded pieces, the fastening of these parts in assembly is vastly simplified over that possible with other materials.

Finally, in Fig. 20 the trend toward thermoplastic big shots is

shown as carried into the proprietary field by a bread box produced by The Plas-Tex Corp., Los Angeles, Calif. This box is 13½ by 9½ by 6½ in., is molded of styrene, and weighs 3 pounds.

The common denominators in molding problems encountered in all these cases are obvious. In these large-size pieces it is not possible to design for uniform wall thickness as has historically been required by injection molders for successful work. Indeed, in a single large piece there may be a combination of large-area and thick as well as thin sections. Especially on the pieces

with large projected area, strains and flow lines must be avoided at all costs. Here the molding elements of carefully balanced heat (usually with the cavity a few degrees warmer than the force) and absolute control of temperature and cycle time must be watched. In cases where strain can not be avoided, annealing is recommended.

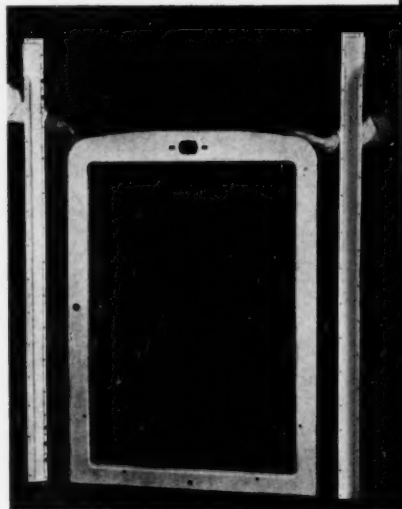
That extreme production speed can be obtained by molders working on these large pieces is shown by the fact that the Crosley breaker frame made by Mack with outside dimensions of 30 by 43 in. is produced on a 50-sec. cycle.

Along with the problems of temperature and speed control throughout the process of molding large pieces go the necessities for most careful gating for proper flow and more careful finishing of molds. Mold makers are rapidly learning the techniques required for this type of operation; seven manufacturers of big injection machines, who have been constantly experimenting with large moldings in their own shops for several years, have acquired much know-how which they are willing to bring to bear on problems concerning the molding of thermoplastic big shots.



COURTESY HYDRAULIC PRESS MFG. CO.

18—Acrylic sign for Blue Ribbon Beer is molded on 40-oz. injection machine. The circular part of sign is 14½ in. in diameter; the sign is 18½ in. in length



COURTESY MACK MOLDING CO.

19—Breaker frame and strips for refrigerators are molded of styrene

Machinery and Mold Credits

Admiral breaker frame top. Molded on 32-oz. Lester machine. Mold by Mechanical Industries, Inc. Bottom on 28-oz. Watson-Stillman machine. Molds by Nu-Engineering, Inc. Sides molded on 16-oz. Watson-Stillman. Molds by Una-Craft Engineering Co., Inc.

Fresh'n-Aire Circulator. Grille molded on 22-oz. Reed-Prentice machine. Base molded on Watson-Stillman 48-oz. machine. Cowl molded on 48-oz. Watson-Stillman machine equipped with a Thermolator for accurate temperature control.

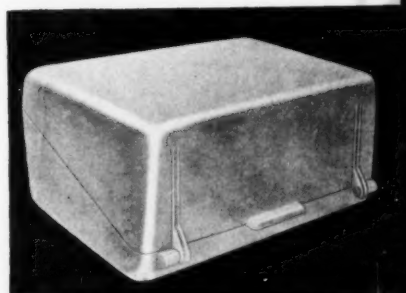
Admiral television 19-in. escutcheon mask. Molded on Crown machine;

molds by Crown Machine & Tool Co. Freezer drawer. Molded on 48-oz. Watson-Stillman machine. Mold by Nu-Engineering, Inc. Crisper pan molded on Crown machine. Molds by Crown Machine & Tool Co.

RCA television mask. Molded on 48-oz. Watson-Stillman machine. Original compression mold by Molded Products Corp. Converted by Amos Molded Plastics.

Pabst Blue Ribbon beer sign. Molded on Hydraulic Press Mfg. Co.'s 40-oz. press.

Refrigerator parts. Molded on Mack Molding Co.'s private design presses



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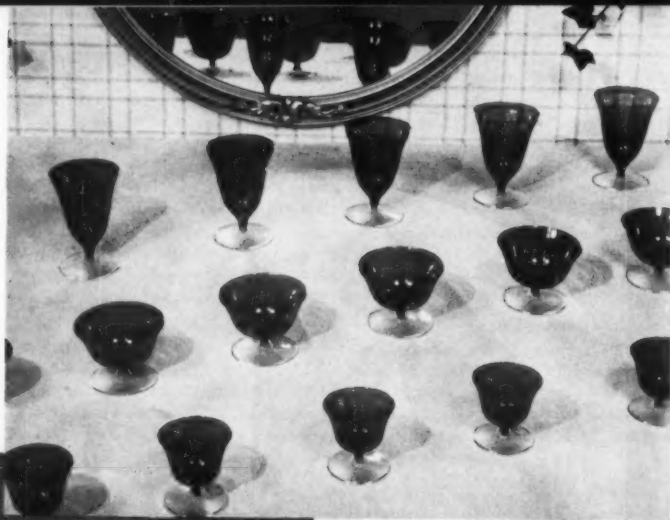
20—Styrene bread box is 13½ by 9½ by 6½ in., weighs 3 pounds

Right: Three of six styles in one line of smart styrene stemware. Main part of each piece is transparent ruby; base is clear styrene

COURTESY MONSANTO CHEMICAL CO.

Below: Same bowls used in stemware shown are also joined directly to bases to produce footed pieces. Colors are transparent red, blue, and green bowls, clear stems

COURTESY F. J. KIRK MOLDING CO.



Styrene Stemware



Low-cost styrene cocktail glasses offer several selling advantages

THE beauty of glass without its brittleness and at a fraction of its cost—that is the secret of the success of styrene stemware. At least four companies are currently manufacturing molded styrene goblets, cocktail glasses, sherbert glasses, and other stemware. Their products are not only selling in competition with glass but, because of their low price, are opening new markets by making stemware available to many who could not previously afford it.

Universal Veilcot Co., Leominster, Mass., is molding a stemware line consisting of six styles, three of which are shown in the photograph

at the top of this page. Universal Veilcot uses ruby transparent Lustrex for the main piece of each item and clear Lustrex for the base.

The table shown in the middle photograph is set with Poly-X Ware, manufactured by F. J. Kirk Molding Co., Clinton, Mass. Kirk's stemware is molded of heat-resistant Styron or Koppers styrene, and it is claimed that Poly-X Ware can withstand boiling water for 30 min.—a more severe test than it is likely to encounter in actual use.

Kirk's line consists of eight styles. The goblet, sherbet, wine glass, and cocktail glass are made with transparent red, blue, or green bowls and clear transparent stems and bases. The same four bowls are used in the footed tumbler, dessert dish, juice glass, and fruit cup. These four models have no stems and the bowls are joined directly to the bases.

The styrene cocktail glasses shown at the bottom of the page are molded by Schwarz Bros., Los Angeles, Calif., and distributed by Styson Art Products Co., New York.

Among the other manufacturers of styrene stemware is Plastics Mfg. Co., Dallas, Texas. This company makes a 12-oz. goblet, a 7-oz. sherbert, and a 6-in. saucer which can be used under either the sherbert or the goblet. Both the sherbert and the goblet have fluted outside surfaces and are available in transparent amber, green, blue, or red, as well as in clear styrene.

The Case of the Built-In Window

MANY electrical meters have had molded plastic cases, many have had transparent plastic scale windows, and many have had both. The Amprobe, a new pocket-size volt-ammeter for electricians, motor repair shops, etc., is unique because of the way in which its window is built-in as an integral part of the housing.

The Amprobe is a split core volt-ammeter only $7\frac{1}{8}$ in. long and $2\frac{7}{16}$ in. wide and weighs only 12 ounces. The trigger-controlled jaws will surround conductors up to $1\frac{1}{8}$ in. in diameter, and will measure current without interrupting service. Voltage measurements are made via a pair of test leads. The instrument is made in three models, each with seven ranges, controlled by a selector switch.

Ordinarily, the need for a window in an opaque housing complicates the design problem. It not only means an additional piece for the window itself, but it necessitates screws, metal frames, or other assembly devices to hold the window in place. This means more parts to produce and assemble in the first place—parts which can become loose when the instrument is in use.

Pyramid Instrument Co., New York, N. Y., manufacturer of the Amprobe, got around all these complications neatly. One half of the Amprobe housing is molded of clear transparent Tenite II cellulose acetate butyrate. The "window" area is then masked while the rest of the piece is sprayed with a black lacquer. The masked area then becomes a window which cannot come loose, which is as strong as the rest of the butyrate housing, and through which the scale can be viewed from almost any angle.

The name Amprobe is molded-in to the rear surface of the piece, and red paint is wiped in to the depressed letters. The area around this nameplate is also masked when the outside surface of the piece is sprayed black. The outside of the nameplate is thus smooth and free of dirt-catching indentations.

The back half of the Amprobe housing is molded of black buty-

rate and has a number of molded-in brass inserts for mounting screws. Black butyrate is also used for the four insulating shields which encase the metal probe jaws, for the finger grip on the trigger which controls the jaws, and for the knob of the range-selector switch. All the plastic parts are produced for Pyramid by Gemloid Corp., Elmhurst, N. Y. The parts are molded on a 4-oz. Watson-Stillman machine.

The butyrate probe jaw casings

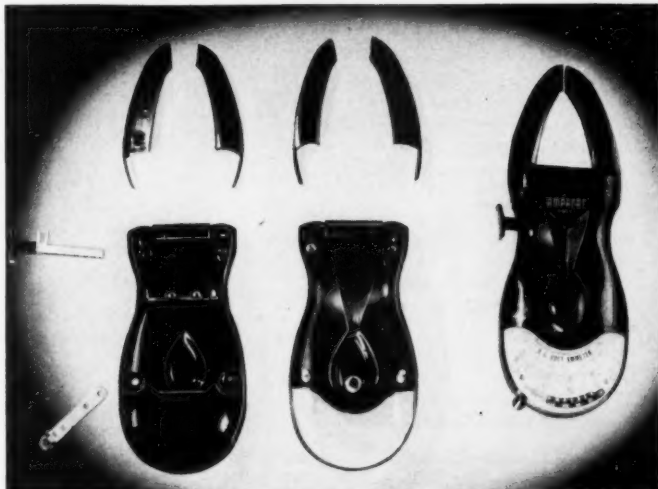
make it possible to use the instrument on uninsulated conductors with complete safety.

One of the transformer jaws is stationary; the other is held in the closed position by a spring and can be opened by pressing the trigger on the side of the Amprobe. The butyrate end of the trigger is molded directly onto the metal shaft. The butyrate knob of the range selector arm is molded in the same way and an index line is molded in.

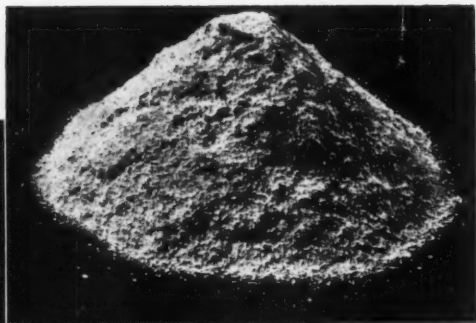
Volt-ammeter measures current in conductor without interrupting service. Jaws are operated by finger trigger. Front of housing is molded of transparent material, then sprayed with black lacquer. Part of housing over scale is masked to leave window area clear



All plastic parts of pocket-size unit are of cellulose acetate butyrate. Name is molded-in to rear surface. Housing has molded-in brass inserts to receive mounting screws. Jaw casings make the instrument safe for use on uninsulated conductors



Below: Raw material for resin-bonded wood-waste board goes into hogging machine which reduces it to coarse sawdust. Right: A mound of finely divided wood waste prior to mixing with resin



NO longer is sawdust just a waste product to be burned beneath the plant boiler or scattered on the floor of the corner butcher shop. Now, in proper combination with thermosetting resins, sawdust is emerging as a basic component of many useful products ranging from molded croquet balls and furniture core stock to smooth, grain-free panels which are in many ways superior to plywood for panel doors, kitchen cabinet construction, and related items. All this means that industry has an important new low-cost material and that the lumber trade can look forward to more complete utilization of our timber supplies.¹

Man has never been quite satisfied with nature's wood as a raw material. Countless hours of research have been spent in an attempt to learn how to overcome some of the natural limitations of wood, as well as to reduce the enor-

mous waste that occurs between the felling of a tree and its ultimate conversion into a finished product. Plywood represented a major step in this direction. In the newer science of combining finely divided wood with selected resins, important new production milestones have been established.

One of the outstanding examples of recent developments in this field is Prespine, a board made from wood-waste with phenolic resin binder. Developed by Curtis Companies, Inc., Clinton, Iowa, Prespine is now in regular production at the company's Clinton plant. At the present time, the entire output of Prespine is being used by Curtis for its own line of woodwork—notably panel doors, both interior and exterior, and kitchen cabinets, which are built at the company's Sioux-

City, Iowa, plant. The finished board consists of approximately 93% finely divided wood from the organization's own manufacturing operations. It is produced in sheets measuring 4 ft. square by $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick, and in two finishes—a plain, grainless effect used for products which are to be painted, such as kitchen cabinets, and a new grained surface which duplicates the appearance of Ponderosa pine and can be finished in exactly the same manner as the natural wood. The specific gravity of the material is about 1.0. No chemical changes in the finely divided wood particles themselves are involved in the product's manufacture.

Plus Values

What are the plus values of this engineered wood product? Prespine

Improving on

¹See also "Wood Waste Moldings Find New Markets," MODERN PLASTICS, 27, 50 (Oct. 1949), and "Resins Bond Wood Waste Board," MODERN PLASTICS, 26, 59 (Feb. 1949).

panels resist warping, swelling, shrinking, and heavy impact blows. Tests indicate that Prespine's resistance to denting is approximately 10 times that of natural wood. Its color closely simulates that of pine and does not vary as much as that of the natural wood. Flexural strength compares favorably with solid wood of the same width and thickness.

Prespine provides a good surface for paint. There is no actual grain to present painting problems. The panels with imprinted grains readily accept stains, shellac, and varnish. Either surface can be waxed or washed after finishing. The grained pattern is reported to be fade-proof. Prespine has good weather resistance when finished. Sample door panels, exposed unprotected to weather on the roof of the Curtis plant for as long as two years, have exhibited only slight weathering and soiling, with no apparent deterioration. Prespine's freedom from grain checking—a common problem with wood—and the fact that it can be readily glued with standard

woodworking adhesives are additional advantages attributed to the product.

Because of its resin content and method of manufacture, Prespine requires no pampering. In tests, sample pieces were boiled 3 hr., then frozen immediately and dried for 16 hr. at 140° F.; no serious ill effects were found. In other tests, the material was continuously submerged in water for seven months. When sanded, the surface was easily restored to its original condition. Manufacturing requirements call for a modulus of rupture above 4000 p.s.i. The material has proved especially resistant to the damage usually experienced in warehousing, shipping, and handling.

Price Differential

At the present time, the cost of Prespine panels is less than that of Ponderosa pine plywood. This differential varies with changing conditions which affect the availability and manufacturing costs of the plywood.

A three-year research and devel-

opment program, during which time hundreds of test panels were made, preceded commercial production of Prespine. Preliminary work was done on small test panels, using a Carver press. Rosins, pitch, various resins, and numerous other materials were tried in an attempt to locate the best type of binder. Since the product had to meet the same standards of performance as exterior plywood, phenolic-resin binders eventually proved most successful. Early panels were made with a two-stage resin; later a single-stage resin was adopted in order to obtain a lighter color in the finished panels.

Following the successful production of small panels on a laboratory basis, larger test pieces were molded for further evaluation. Successful tests of the larger panels led to establishment of the present plant at Clinton, Iowa, involving the acquisition of a five-opening press with 48-in. square platens, of the type used in plywood production. The company also obtained a hammer mill for reducing wood to the

Nature's Wood

Panels of phenolic resin plus sawdust replace wood in many applications



Batch of sawdust on way to pan-loading unit after mixing with about 7% phenolic resin



Aluminum pans, 4 ft. sq., are filled with layer of mixture and put in loading device beside press. At end of molding cycle, five new pans are pushed in

required degree of fineness and designed its own pan filler, loader, and supplementary equipment.

At the outset, the Prespine activity was primarily a defensive measure, activated because of a growing scarcity of Ponderosa pine plywood. The project proved so successful, however, that even when the plywood situation improved, Curtis management decided to keep most of its panel-door and kitchen-unit output in Prespine because of the favorable characteristics of the product.

Production Steps

The rough wood waste used in the manufacture of Prespine includes shavings, sawdust, and waste chunks of lumber. Most of it comes from the molders, saws, and other machines used by Curtis in its extensive woodworking operations. Fine material is carried directly to the production department via overhead blowers; larger pieces are first run through a hogging machine which reduces them to coarse sawdust. Selective control of the plant blower system makes it possible to send through only the types of wood waste needed at any time.

The coarse wood particles collect in a 12-ton capacity bin on the roof of the manufacturing building. From this bin, the material is mechanically fed through magnetic separators, which remove tramp iron, nails, etc., and thence through the hammer mill. The resulting finely divided wood particles move by gravity to the first floor of the building, where they are carried by a worm conveyor and belt

conveyor to the mixer, in which the wood particles are combined with the resin.

Production is handled on a batch-process basis. For each batch, approximately 7% of dry phenolic resin is added by weight. Upon completion of the mixing process, the wood-resin combination is carried by belt conveyor to the pan-filling machine where aluminum pans, 4 ft. sq., pass beneath the filling unit to be filled to a uniform depth of about 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches. The loose material is compressed to approximately one-sixth of this thickness during the molding operation.

After the pans are filled, they are placed on a loading device beside the press. This permits one group of pans to be loaded while the preceding group is in the press. At the end of each molding cycle, the press opens and the loading device pushes the loaded pans into the press, forcing the preceding group of pans out onto the unloader. As the trays are removed from the unloader, they are inverted to permit the freshly molded panels to drop out. Next the panels are cooled and humidified. Then they are trimmed and sanded and are ready to be used in panel doors or other types of woodwork.

Panels Four Feet Square

Phenolic resins used in the production of Prespine are supplied by Monsanto Chemical Co. and Durez Plastics & Chemicals, Inc. Production at present is confined to the 4-ft. square panels, but the company points out that making larger panels would merely require larger equip-

ment, with no basic difference in the method used.

The ungrained Prespine is widely used by Curtis in its line of kitchen units—ends, backs, drawer bottoms, and doors. A typical kitchen-cabinet installation contains more than 250 sq. ft. of the material. The newer grained material is utilized as panels for both interior and exterior doors. All exterior doors receive a water-repellent treatment which further increases their resistance to the effects of exposure.

Although details of the process used in graining remain confidential, the process involves surface application of specially developed inks which are receptive to such finishes as varnish, shellac, and stains. The actual pattern is a photographic reproduction of selected Ponderosa pine grain.

Curtis has experimentally produced molded panels which illustrate possible ramifications of the basic production program. Such moldings would offer interesting economies as compared to those fabricated from lumber in the usual manner. Such additional applications as floor covering* and subflooring, counter tops, and various furniture items readily suggest themselves.

With proper application of heat, some contouring of Prespine is possible, although the full potential of the material for this use has not yet been established. Some work has also been done with the introduction of color in the mix, but in the regular production panels, the color is that of the wood particles themselves.

Back of press shows control panel (left) and unloader (right) onto which pans of cured panels are pushed upon completion of each molding cycle



Panels are cooled and humidified, then sanded and flash trimmed. They are then ready for use



Hyatt Award

PRESENTATION of the John Wesley Hyatt award for 1949 was made to George M. Powell, III, at a dinner at the Hotel Pierre, New York City, on June 1st. This award, consisting of a gold medal and \$1000, is presented annually by the John Wesley Hyatt Award Committee for outstanding achievement in the plastics industry during the preceding calendar year.

Mr. Powell is technical head, Coatings Div., Research & Development Dept., Carbide & Carbon Chemicals Div., Union Carbide and Carbon Corp. He was chosen as the award winner for his planning and direction of the development, formulation, and application of Vinylite dispersion resins. He was primarily responsible for the development of a method which makes possible the use of high polymers in high-solids dispersions in combination with inexpensive thinners. The toughest and least soluble of the vinyl resins can be used economically for inks, dip goods, elastometric molded articles and unsupported films, and to coat cloth, paper, foil, and metal. Mr. Powell's work enabled the plastics industry to enter the manufacture of products never before practical with materials usually associated with this industry.

The rapidity with which the dispersion resins have been adopted by industry is a measure of their worth. Although development work on them began in 1934, the material was not ready to be offered to industry until nine years later. By 1947, the consumption had grown to 5 million pounds. Two years later, the major production processes for

finished articles had been perfected, and consumption rose to more than 15 million pounds.

Mr. Powell was born in Montgomery, Ala. After graduating from high school in Leonia, N. J., he entered Columbia College in 1927, receiving an A.B. degree in 1931. He then transferred to the School of Chemical Engineering, receiving a B.S. in chemical engineering in 1932, and the Ch.E. degree in 1933.

In that year, also, he joined Carbide & Carbon Chemicals Corp., and immediately engaged in research on surface coatings. He was made technical head of the Coatings Div. in 1944.

Mr. Powell has made numerous contributions to the work of the Coatings Div. Seven patents have been issued to him, and others are pending. The research work leading to the present large-scale development of dispersion resins was initiated several years before World War II, but it was not until emulsion polymerized resin became commercially available that major emphasis was placed on the problem. Mr. Powell was assigned to this project

before he became head of the division, and continued to devote a great deal of his attention to it after his advancement.

Mr. Powell is the recipient of the ninth John Wesley Hyatt Award, which is sponsored by Hercules Powder Co. to honor Hyatt, father of the plastics industry. It was Hyatt's work with cellulose nitrate and camphor, in 1867, which resulted in the making of the first thermoplastic celluloid.

Members of the 1949 Hyatt award Committee are: Horace Gooch, Jr., president, Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc.; Dr. George T. Felbeck, vice president, Carbide & Carbon Chemicals Corp.; Dr. Ernest H. Volwiler, president American Chemical Society; Dr. Charles F. Kettering, vice president, General Motors Corp.; Dr. Edward R. Weidlein, director, Mellon Institute of Industrial Research; Dean Richard F. Bach, Metropolitan Museum of Art; William T. Cruse, executive vice president, Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc.; and Waldemar Kaempfert, Science Editor, *New York Times*.

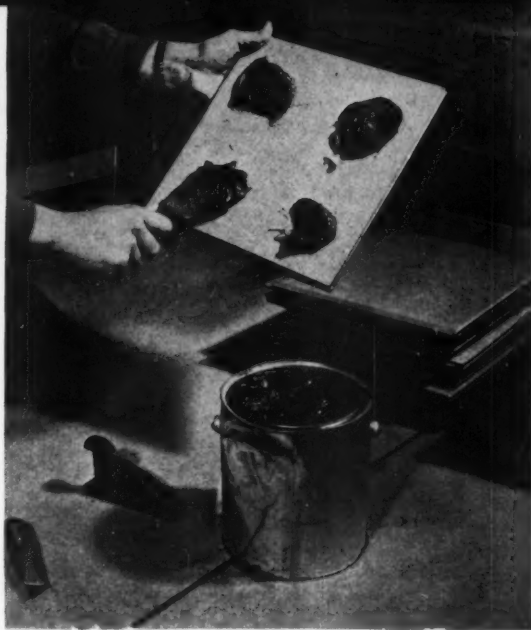


George M. Powell, III



ALL PHOTOS COURTESY FIRESTONE PLASTICS CO.

1—Tools needed to apply tile to any rigid surface include putty knife, fiber-board knife, and stapler



2—Cement is applied to four corners of vinyl-covered tile. Thick globs are recommended for rough, uneven wall surfaces

Washable

DURABLE, decorative wall surfaces can be installed simply and economically with a new vinyl-covered insulating tile panel manufactured by Page Tile Co., Cresskill, N. J. The 12-in. squares of $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. thick building board are covered with 12-gage Velon which is bent over the bevelled front edges and crimped into a slot in the side of the tile.

The vinyl-covered tiles can be used for decorative walls or ceilings in homes, offices, or stores. Unusual effects can be obtained by using the tiles for only one wall of a room, by using the tiles for the lower part of the walls only, or by using two different colors. The Velon surface of the finished installation is colorful, washable, and will with-

stand long, hard wear without cracking, chipping, or discoloring.

The tongue-and-grooved Page tile panels can be applied to any rigid wall surface, even directly to cement block walls.

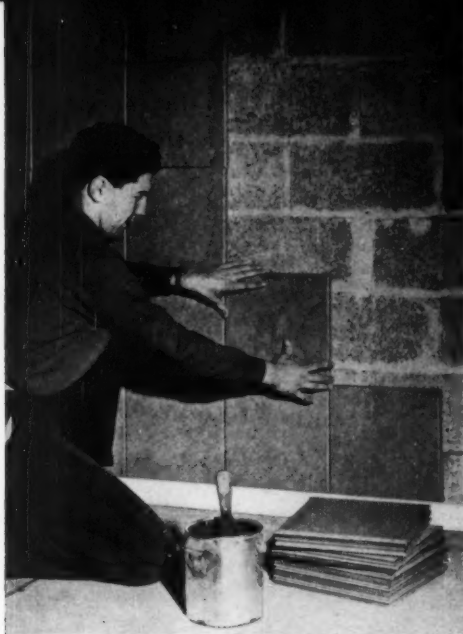
For basement or bathroom installations, a waterproofed board is available for only 2¢ per sq. ft. more than the standard tile panel.

The actual installation of the Velon-covered panels requires no special skill. Any home owner or handyman can do the job. The only tools required are a fiber-board razor knife, a putty knife, and a swing-open type of office stapler.

The necessary tools and a pile of Page tile panels are shown in Fig. 1 in front of an ordinary unfinished cement block wall.

The wall to which the panels are to be applied must be free of grease, wall paper, calcimine, or white wash because the bond between the tile panels and the wall can be no stronger than the bond between the wall and the surface to which the panels are cemented.

The cement, supplied by Page, is applied to the four corners of each tile with the putty knife (Fig. 2). A glob of cement about 2 in. in diameter and $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick should be applied in each corner if the tile is to be applied to a relatively smooth surface. Thicker globs are recommended when the wall surface is rough or uneven. A fifth glob should be put in the center of each panel when ceiling installations are being made.



3—Tile is pressed to wall with tongues on right and top edges and slid into place with a slight circular motion



4—When a tile is cut to fit an odd-size space, the vinyl cover is cut 1 in. longer than needed and is stapled to back of board

Insulating Tile

Buyers will be encouraged to do their own interior decoration with this easily applied, durable material

After the cement is applied, the tile is pressed against the wall with the tongues on the top and right edges (Fig. 3). Each tile is slid into place with a slight circular motion to spread the adhesive.

When tiles must be cut to fit into corners or around windows or doors, the vinyl is cut off first 1 in. longer than is needed, and folded back while the tile is cut to the exact size with a razor knife. The loose vinyl is then pulled over the cut edge and stapled to the back surface of the insulating board (Fig. 4).

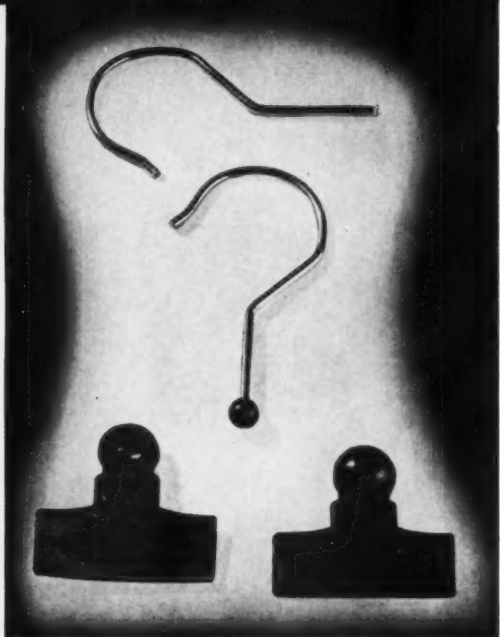
Fig. 5 shows the finished installation on the wall shown in Fig. 1.

5—Colorful, durable vinyl-covered surface of finished installation can be washed when dirty





Molded-in grooves in clothes hanger prevent garments from sliding. Base of ball-and-socket joint is designed as a name-plate



Two socket halves are cemented around ball molded to metal hook. Assembly is used as mold insert for main hanger part

Double-Molded Clothes Hanger

TWO-shot injection molding is used in an unusual manner to produce the strong swivel joint of the Multi-Purpose Space-Saver Garments Hanger molded by St. Clair Plastics, Watervliet, N. Y., and distributed by Ralph H. Goldman Enterprises, New York, N. Y.

The first step in the production of the hanger is molding the ball-and-socket swivel joint, which consists of three pieces of Plexene T styrene copolymer. The ball is molded directly on the bottom end of the metal hook, which is placed in the die as an insert. The high impact strength of the material and the method of molding combine to make an inseparable bond between the ball and the metal hook.

At the same time that the ball is being molded, the socket is molded in two halves of the same maroon-colored, Plexene material. The socket is designed so that the bottom part of it serves as a plaque or name-plate for the hanger.

After the three parts are molded,

the two halves of the socket are cemented together surrounding the ball.

Socket Used as Insert

The entire ball-and-socket assembly is then used as an insert in the mold for the main part of the hanger, which is molded of Lustrex styrene. The material flows around the socket and plaque assembly and thus serves as extra insurance that the two parts of the sockets will not come apart.

The main body of the hanger is molded in either transparent blue, transparent red, or clear material. Thus the maroon Plexene swivel socket and plaque shows through, although the faces of the plaque are covered by the body of the hanger.

St. Clair Plastics molds the hangers on a 22-oz. Impco machine in molds made by Longbrake Mold & Die Co., Kenton, Ohio. According to the molder, the method of molding makes it necessary for the mold maker to hold unusually close toler-

ances in the cavities. Double molding also necessitates close control of temperature, time, and pressure during the molding operation.

Unusual Features

In addition to the method of molding and the swivel joint, the Space Saver hanger has many unusual design features which add to its utility and versatility. The most obvious of these is the multi-bar construction which greatly increases the capacity of the hanger and thereby increases the capacity of small closets. Three pairs of pants, a coat and vest, and a number of ties and belts can all be hung on one hanger. The distributor emphasizes this feature by referring to the hanger as the "Space-Saver Garments (plural!) Hanger (singular!)."

The hanger also has a non-skid feature. Trousers, skirts, or towels hung on the cross bars cannot slide off because a number of grooves and ridges are molded-in to the full length of each bar.

Toy Autos With Remote Controls

REALISM is the outstanding trend in toy design. In toy cars, realism is often carried to the extent of providing means for steering and controlling the toy. Three examples of such toys are shown on this page. One of the cars shown is powered by flashlight batteries, one by a spring-wind motor, and one by a hand crank. All of them are molded of cellulose acetate.

The Remoto-Car, shown at the top of the page, has a body and a control box molded of Tenite I cellulose acetate. The car is molded of red or green metallic acetate; the control box is black and yellow.

The car is wired with flashlight cells in the control box and is controlled by a three-way switch on top of the box. Pressing one end of the switch makes the car go forward; pressing the other end makes it go backward. The car can also be made to turn to the right by pressing and releasing the "forward" end of the switch rapidly.

The Remoto-Car is manufactured by Arpin Products, Inc., East Orange, N. J.

The Steer-It, shown in the middle photograph, has a spring-wind motor which propels it for over 150 ft. at each winding on practically any surface, including rugs. The motor can be started and its speed controlled by a "gear shift lever" which projects out the rear window. There is also a "safety catch" which stops the motor and prevents it from running down when the car is lifted off the floor.

The car is steered by a wheel which is mounted on an "instrument panel" and connected to the car by 3 ft. of spring wire which extends like an aerial from the car roof. Through this wire, the steering wheel controls a hidden fifth wheel which turns the car.

The 10-in. long body of the car, the steering wheel, and the instrument panel are molded of red or blue Ampacet cellulose acetate by Plastic Molded Arts, Inc., Long Island City, N. Y. The Steer-It car is manufactured by Motion Toy Corp., Rockaway Beach, N. Y.

The Miracle Control Car, shown

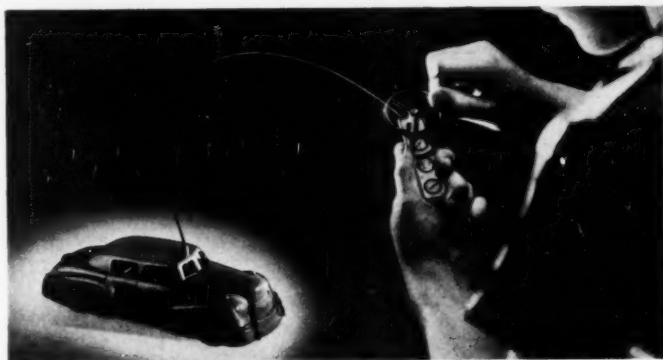
at the bottom of the page, is both powered and steered by a remote control device which uses neither springs nor batteries. A reel attached to a pistol-grip handle is turned clockwise to make the car move forward and counter-clockwise to make it move backward. The motion is transmitted to the car by a flexible shaft. To make the car turn, the reel is pushed forward on the pistol grip handle for right turns and pulled back on the handle for left turns.

The body of the car, which was designed as a replica of a Hudson convertible, is molded of red and gray Tenite I cellulose acetate. The Miracle Control Car is manufactured by California Moulders, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif.



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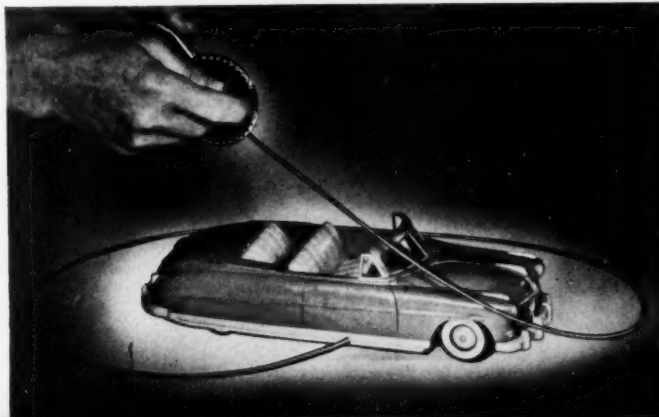
Acetate Remoto-Car is directed by switch, powered by flashlight cells



COURTESY HERCULES POWDER CO.

Steer-It, molded of cellulose acetate, has spring-wind motor. Small steering wheel, mounted on hand-held dash panel, controls car through flexible shaft

Miracle Control Car, a scale model of Hudson convertible, is propelled by turning reel. Car is steered by moving reel forward or backward on handle





Left: Tape for marking base lines, service lines, and other lines on tennis courts is extruded of Geon vinyl. Unlike cotton tapes which rot, stain, discolor, or break, the vinyl tape will not rot, will stay white, and is unaffected by water or by the chemical weed killers used on tennis courts. The tape, known as Rextrude, is made in two sets. One, for courts where playing traffic is light, is stapled to the ground. Heavy duty set, for public courts which are used frequently, has holes 2 in. apart, for nailing tape to the ground. Made by The Rex Corp., 51 Landsdowne St., Cambridge, Mass.

PLASTICS PRODUCTS



Above: Flexible, non-breakable 50-oz. canister molded of Bakelite polyethylene can be used for preparing or storing concentrated fruit juices or as a cocktail shaker. Air-tight, friction-fitting cover can be removed for easy filling; smaller cap, which is also air-tight, can be removed for easy pouring. Canister is made by Tupper Corp., Farnumville, Mass.



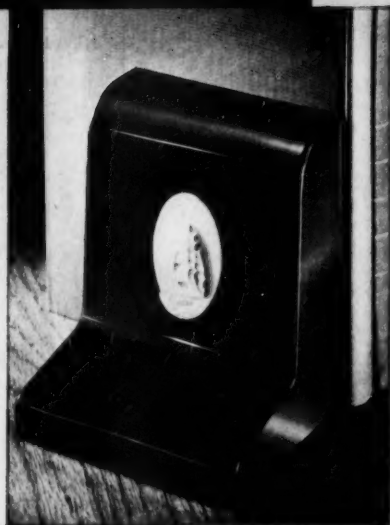
Left: Cities Service products are promoted by giving away motor oil, penetrating oil, band instrument oils, etc., in three-quarter-ounce bottles molded in the shape of the Cities Service emblem. Bottles are molded of transparent Tenite II cellulose acetate butyrate by Thermold Corp., Clinton, N. Y., for Petroleum Advisers, Inc., 60 Wall Tower, New York 5

Modern Plastics

Right: Revolving receptacle for artists' tools is molded of styrene in one piece. The Roto-Tray is 10 in. in diameter and 6 1/2 in. high and has molded-in compartments to hold ink bottles, pens, pencils, brushes, etc. Every item is in sight and easily accessible, thus avoiding frequent searches for tools in the usual table-top clutter. A felt-bottomed steel base supports a steel pylon around which the tray revolves. Molded of mahogany-color styrene by Eldon Mfg. Co., 1010 E. 62 St., Los Angeles, Calif., for Roto-Tray Div., Rapidesign, Inc., Box 551, Glendale, Calif.



Right: Book ends 5 in. high are molded of Tenite II cellulose acetate butyrate. Simplicity of the design is relieved by molded medallion. The book ends are colorful, chip-proof, easy to keep clean. Molded in black, maroon, or green with the medallion in ivory or plated in gold or silver. Produced by Sobenite, Inc., 1026 W. King, South Bend, Ind., for Plasticraft Specialties, 3222 W. Cermak, Chicago



Above: Stiffeners made of transparent Vupak cellulose acetate sheet fit inside the neckbands of freshly ironed shirts and protect them from wrinkling while in the drawer or travelling bag. They will fit in any size shirt and can be reused indefinitely. Manufactured by The Stifneck Co., Springfield, Mass.

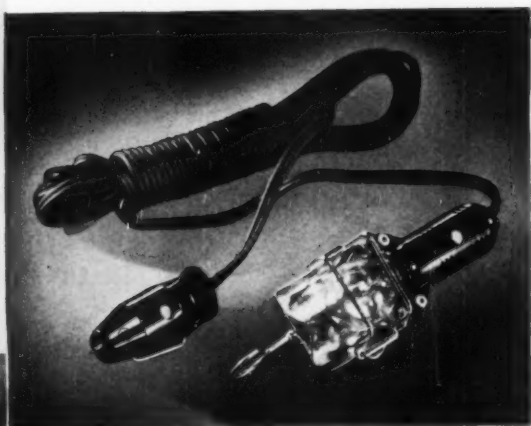
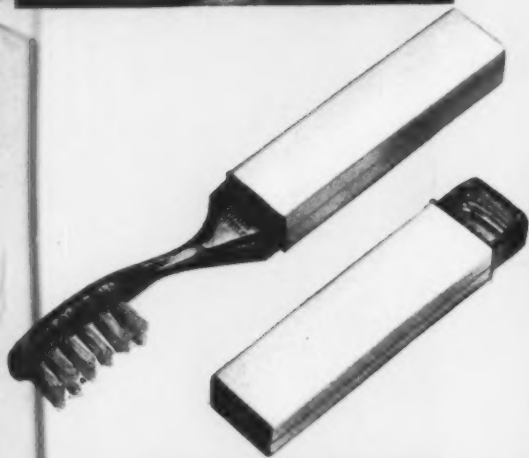
Right: Injection-molded handles of small screw drivers and stiletto have wing-like tips which give additional leverage when the work is stubborn. The handles are molded of Tenite II cellulose acetate butyrate in one piece by Martinson Tool & Die Co., Waterbury, Conn. The tools are produced by The Greist Mfg. Co., 501 Blake St., New Haven 15, Conn.





Left: Transparent Visa-Bait container weighs only 9 oz., can be clipped to the belt or carried on a strap over the shoulder. Raising the lid brings shelf up to make the bait readily accessible. Container is molded of amber or green transparent Tenite I cellulose acetate, has no metal parts to corrode. Molded by Venango Plastics, Inc., Franklin, Pa., for The Visa-Bait, Inc., 643 W. Long Ave., DuBois, Pa.

Left: Pocket-Pak toothbrush can be stored easily in purse, pocket, or travelling bag. Container which covers the brush in storage also fits over the pull-out handle to give the brush a full-size handle when in use. Lumarith cellulose acetate is used to mold both the handle and the perforated container. Made by Mavco, Inc., 14 East 38 St., New York



Above: Automobile trouble light plugs into dashboard cigarette lighter outlet, has 12 ft. of cord and a swivel hook so that it can be hung where needed. The light is handy when tires must be changed at night, for reading maps, and for lighting under the hood. Handle and plug are molded of Durex phenolic by Monowatt, Inc., 68 Bissell St., Providence, R. I.

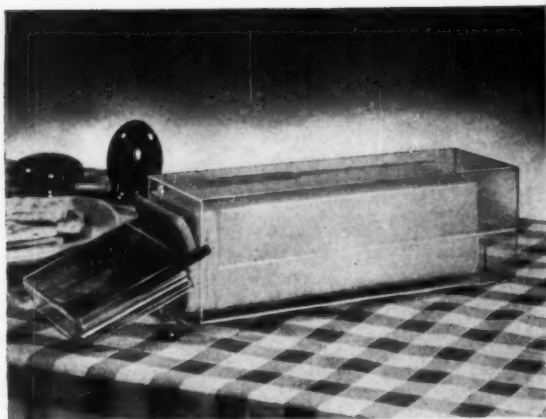


Left: Drawstring bag fabricated of Beutafilm vinyl film serves as a package for cake soap, can be re-used as a refrigerator bag, knitting bag, etc. The bag is heat sealed, and the drawstrings, which are also vinyl, are heat sealed at the ends. The bag is made for Colgate's Cashmere Bouquet by The Silcock-Miller Co., 10 W. Parker Ave., Maplewood, N. J.

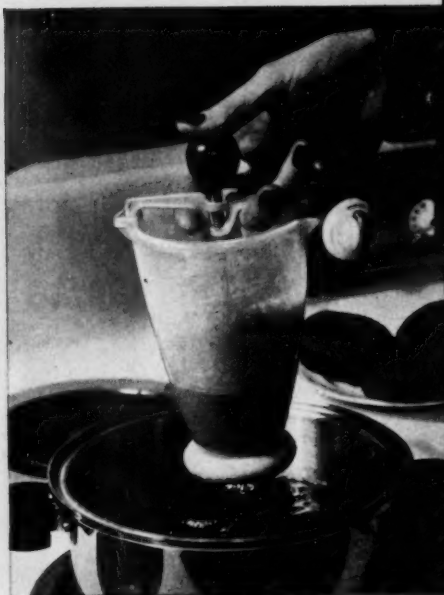
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Right: Easy-to-use doughnut maker is molded of Lustrex styrene. Pressure on the spring-type handle releases just the right amount of batter needed for one doughnut. Manufactured by Popeil Bros., 556 W. Congress St., Chicago, Ill.

Below: Combination cheese container and slicer is molded of high heat-resistant Koppers styrene. The container is a one-piece five-sided rectangular box with a close-fitting removable cover. A 2-lb. loaf of cheese fits on a sliding tray which goes into the box. The cheese can be sliced to any thickness by sliding the tray out the necessary amount and using the edges of the container as a guide for cutting edge. Styrene parts molded by Plastic Processing Co., 2210 S. Dort Highway, Flint, Mich., for Kenneth E. Luger Co., 3017 S. Lyndale Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.



Right: Flower holder is unobtrusive because it is molded of clear Lustrex styrene. It can be used in any type of container and will hold flowers of all sizes at virtually any angle. Molded by Royal Mfg. Co., Inc., Prescott, Ariz., for Par-King Products, 1620 N. 16th St., Phoenix, Ariz.



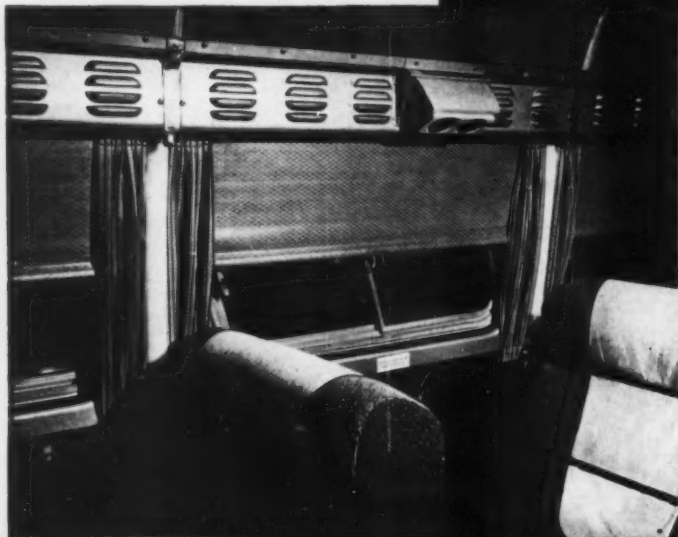
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Left: Waist-high waders made of Vinylite film are lighter to wear than rubber waders; also, they fold compactly for storage or transportation. The new waders are designed for use with tennis shoes or felt-soled wading shoes, and have seamless feet made of double-weight vinyl for extra protection against rocks and other underwater hazards. Pockets inside waders keep cigarettes and matches dry. Waders are made by U. S. Fiber & Plastics Corp., Stirling, N. J.

Below: Shell Servers molded of Styron can be used for serving salad, fruit, nuts, or dessert. The four small shell dishes fit into the large one with space between them for cracked ice, or they can be used separately. Each set is in two colors and is gift packaged. Shell Servers are made by Beacon Products Corp., 82 Needham St., Newton Highlands, Mass.

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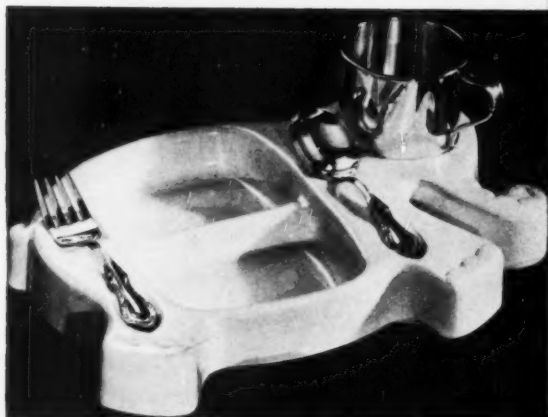
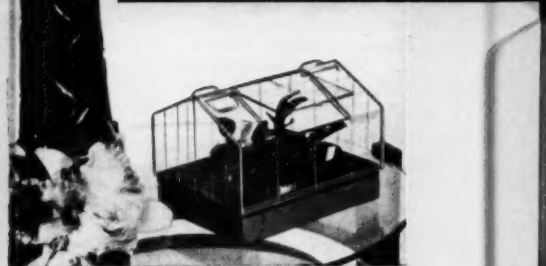
Left: Attractive multi-color draperies made of Lumite woven saran fabric have been installed in airport buses operated by Carey Transportation Co., New York. Herringbone pattern is used in a combination of grey, maroon, and tan. The woven saran fabric is long-wearing and easy to keep clean. It is woven by Chicopee Mfg. Corp., New York

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Right: Cylindrical one-quart jar molded of transparent Tenite II cellulose acetate butyrate is attached to lawn sprinkler to ease the job of spreading fertilizer, weed killer, or insecticides. The liquid solutions, or water-soluble dry chemicals, are poured into the Tenite jar and are drawn into the stream of water by Venturi action. Rate of flow can be observed, and can be controlled by turning the lid of the jar. A hand spray can be substituted for the revolving sprinkler head. The Tenite jar is molded by Sobenite, Inc., South Bend, Ind. The sprinkler is a product of Misch Mfg. Co., 317 Capital Ave., Mishawaka, Ind.



Right: Miniature greenhouse has a brick red base and a crystal-clear removable superstructure, both molded of Lustrex styrene. Four louvered vents provide ventilation for the plants, and one section of the slanting roof opens for watering. The whole greenhouse is only 6 in. high and measures 8 by 6 in. at the base. It is manufactured by Bexley Corp., 521 W. 23 St., New York, N. Y.



Above: Baby dish molded of Koppers styrene has molded-in food compartment and depressions to hold drinking mug and silverware. The dish is molded by Boonton Molding Co., Boonton, N. J. for Fine Arts Sterling Silver Co., 12 S. 12th St., Philadelphia, Pa.



Right: Molded Durex phenolic tool for opening taped cartons is sharp enough to do the job but not sharp enough to cut fingers or damage package contents. The tool, called the Break-O-Tape, is molded in red and has spaces on handle and blade for advertising messages. Molded by Michigan Molded Plastics, Inc., Dexter, Mich., for Robert B. Huxtable Co., Lansing



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Phenolic-Sand Foundry Molds

Largest single use for phenolic resins is seen in development
of new process for producing metal casting molds and cores

EXPERTS have estimated that a new use for phenolic resins will, in the future, consume a tonnage of resin greater than any other single application in commercial use today. The field which holds this important implication to the manufacturers of phenolics—and to the metal casting industry—is that of producing sand molds and cores which are used in foundries.

Basic work on this new process was done in Germany during World War II. First technical details for publication were obtained on April 24 and 25, 1945, when William W. McCulloch, Technical Industrial Intelligence Div., U. S. Dept. of Com-

merce, interviewed Johann Croning in Hamburg. The object was to obtain information on the materials and technique of the so-called "C" process of precision molding invented by Herr Croning and developed by Croning & Co. Essentially this method consists of producing a comparatively thin shell-like metal-casting mold by applying a mixture of sand and a phenolic binder to a hot metal pattern and curing the layer of material.

Mr. McCulloch's report was published on May 30, 1947, as Report No. 1168 of the Office of Technical Services, U. S. Dept. of Commerce. With this technical information available, many foundries, as well as

all of the larger manufacturers of phenolic materials, have since been hard at work developing and refining the materials and technique of this newly created method of sand-mold production.

It has been announced that applications for patents applying to various aspects of this process have been made by Crown Casting Associates, Boston, Mass.

Advantages

Reports on experimental work done to date indicate that the "C" process possesses the following advantages:¹

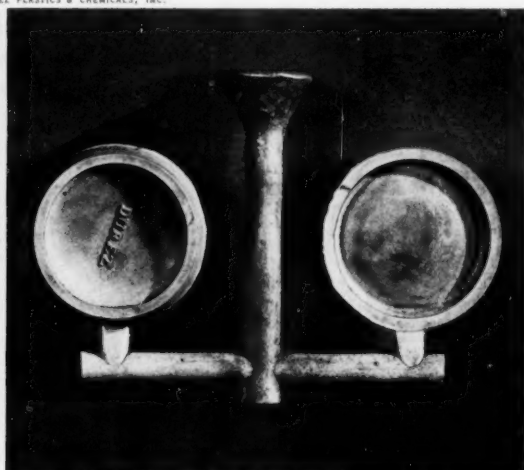
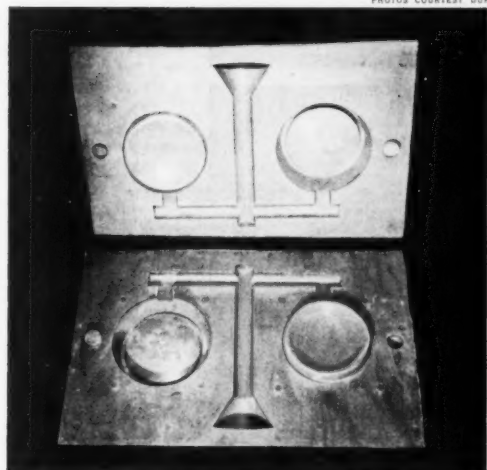
Molds are dry and porous, per-

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Left: Shell-like sand molds have very smooth surface; they deliver castings which have exceptionally close tolerances and reproduce fine detail accurately. Right: Bronze casting as it emerges from the sand mold prior to any clean-up

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mitting quick elimination of gases; no back pressure is built up.

Very accurate dimensions are obtained; tolerances of a few thousandths of an inch are possible.

Sections as thin as 0.010 in. can be cast accurately.

Very smooth surfaces can be obtained on cast pieces, and considerable machining is eliminated.

Fewer surface defects and smoother surfaces result in stronger castings, allowing thinner sections.

Uniformity of resin-sand mix in molds eliminates rejects caused by variations in moisture and clay content in usual molding sand.

Cleaning of castings is minimized and shot blasting practically eliminated.

Some parts which formerly had to be made in two or more pieces to allow for machining may be made in one piece because of the reduction in the amount of machining needed.

Saving of metal by elimination of risers, by more efficient coring, etc., results in a much higher yield from metal used than customary.

Contamination of surfaces of casting is held to a minimum.

Inexpensive equipment is used in making the molds.

More molds per day can be made with the same labor and space than by usual methods.

Handling of sand is greatly reduced; only about 5% of the usual amount of sand is used.

Handling and storage of flasks are eliminated.

Unskilled labor can be used for making the precision molds.

Molds have no affinity for water and hence may be stored indefinitely.

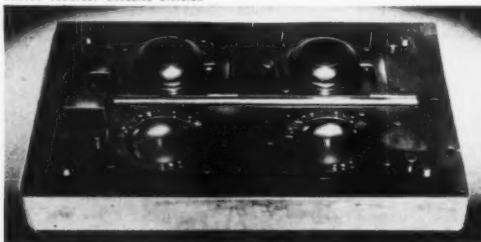
Cores being hollow and dry allow quick escape of gases; also, they collapse readily.

More castings per unit of floor space can be poured at one time because molds are smaller and are poured in upright position.

For Casting Small Parts

Despite all of the advantages listed, present experimental work with this process indicates that it will not be economical for use in producing very large castings. Its greatest use appears to be limited to the production of relatively small parts. However, so vast is

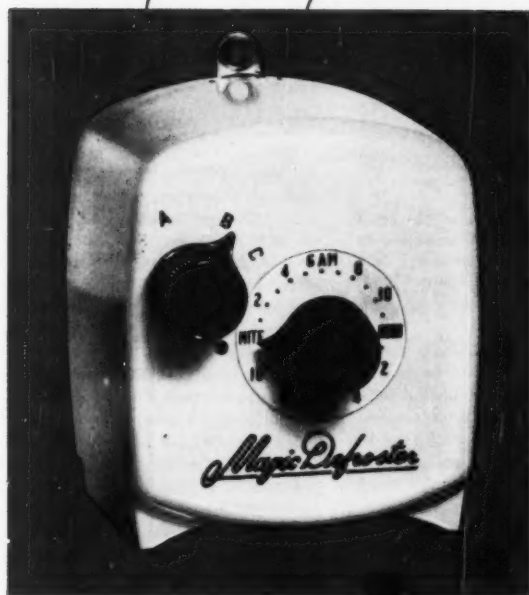
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Using new mold-making process to produce a mold for two trays. At far left, from top to bottom: hot metal pattern is clamped to mold machine; pattern is placed in oven until thin layer of resin-sand mixture hardens and can be removed; two half molds are clipped together with gate vertical; molten metal is poured from electrical furnace. Left: In top picture is the pattern; lower photo, two half molds and ash-tray casting made from them

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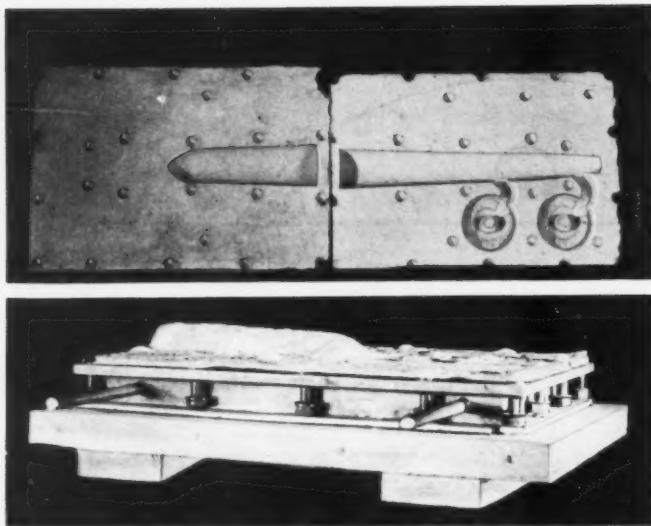
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Top: Opposite halves of cured sand-resin mold shells. **Bottom:** The cured mold shell is still affixed to heated pattern, and is ready for stripping. In partial-cure phase, a shell about 3/16 in. thick is formed in from 4 to 6 seconds. Final cure requires 3 1/2 to 4 min. at a temperature of 500 to 550° F.

even this limited field that the large phenolic manufacturers are today spending thousands of dollars for development and promotion.

In fact, all of these companies exhibited details of this process at the 1950 Foundry Show in Cleveland. Two of them—Bakelite Div., Union Carbide & Carbon Corp., and Borden Co., Chemical Div.—had actual operating exhibits where these special sand molds were produced, and metal was cast in them.

Bakelite's demonstration equipment included a dry blender for thorough mixing of the resin and sand, a cast-iron pattern which was used for producing the half molds, a mold machine for application of the resin and sand mixture to the hot pattern, an oven for heating the pattern and curing the molds, a strip table for removing the finished mold from the pattern, and an electrical furnace for melting and pouring the silicon alloy of aluminum.

In producing molds with this equipment at the Foundry Show the operator clamped the heated metal pattern to the top of the mold machine which contained a quantity of the resin-sand mixture. This mold machine was mounted so that

it could be inverted, thereby causing the resin-sand mixture to fall onto the surface of the heated pattern. After sufficient time elapsed to permit a suitable thickness of resin-sand material to fuse together on the hot mold surface, the mold machine was returned to its upright position and the remaining loose resin-sand mixture fell to the bottom. The clamps were then loosened, and the hot pattern with the shell-type sand mold adhering to it was removed and placed in an oven. The pattern and mold remained in the oven until the resin-sand mixture hardened, after which the thin mold was removed from the pattern. Two halves of the mold produced in this manner were clamped together.

The parts of the mold were held tightly and uniformly in position by placing the clamped mold in a mold box with the gate uppermost. Metal shot was then poured into the mold box, outside the mold, to maintain the mold halves in alignment and to facilitate dispersion of the heat given off by the molten metal poured into the mold from the furnace. Sufficient metal shot was used to fill the mold box almost to the top of the mold. The photo-

graphs on page 80 show the method and equipment used at the Bakelite exhibit at the Foundry Show.

Specific Recommendations

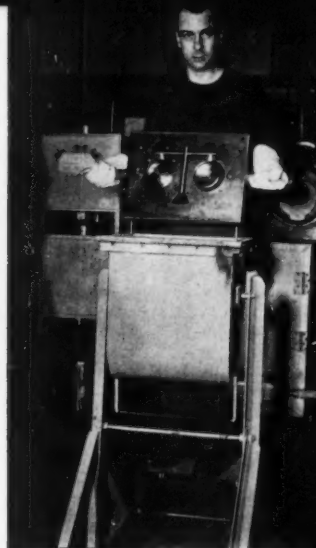
The development work on the part of phenolic producers has led to a number of engineering reports which are essentially recommendations for procedure. The remainder of this article is in the nature of separate reports based on information supplied by Borden Co., Chemical Div.; Durez Plastics & Chemicals, Inc.; and Monsanto Chemical Co. The techniques thus far developed, as reported here, are basically similar; however, they are presented at some length, despite apparent repetition, because of significant and important differences in detail.

The Borden procedure involves the use of heated metal patterns containing sprues, runners, and gates. The pattern, heated to 400 to 450° F., is secured to one end of a resin-sand reservoir and the entire assembly inverted. The mixture of resin and sand falls against the pattern, the heat from which causes the resin to flow momentarily and then partially cure around the sand next to the pattern. A shell structure approximately 3/16 in. thick is formed within 4 to 6 seconds. At the end of this time the assembly is returned to the upright position, permitting loose and uncured resin-sand mixture to fall away from the shell. This unused mixture is then ready for making the next mold.

Curing the Shell

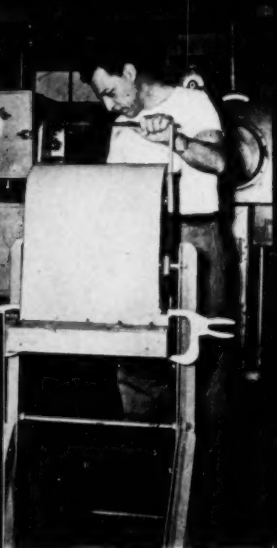
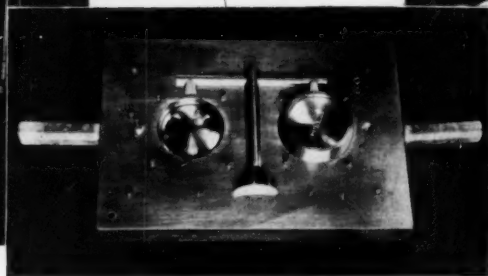
The pattern with the partially cured shell attached is immediately placed in an oven for the final cure at 500 to 550° F. Curing requires 3 1/2 to 4 minutes. The mold is now ready for use or can be stored indefinitely.

Borden Co. recommends Thor Resins MCF-221, MCF-251, and MCF-278, which have been specifically formulated for this application. According to Borden, these resins differ primarily in speed of cure and are characterized by good workability; they mix readily with sand. Cure takes place rapidly at temperatures below 550° F.; sand grains are bonded with the desired strength, retaining excellent permeability and imparting good sur-



Use of experimental sand-resin dump box. Left: Heated pattern ready for clamping to the box. Right: Box inverted, allowing the sand-resin mix to drop on the pattern. Below: Position of knockout pins on experimental pattern is clearly visible

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face smoothness, outstanding definition, and trueness to pattern.

Borden also states that dimensional stability of cured mold surfaces can be relied upon. The application efficiency of these resins is such that it is seldom necessary to use a concentration of binder in excess of 8% by weight of the sand.

The sand should be washed and dried silica sand, free of clay, metal oxides, and organic matter. It should be of an AFS fineness ranging between 110 and 140. No water is used.

Mixing should be thorough to accomplish complete dispersion of resin throughout the sand. Conventional mulling equipment, paddle mixers, counter-rotating ribbon mixers, and tumblers are considered satisfactory.

The present experience of Borden indicates that aluminum and polished gray iron make the best pattern materials because of the ease with which the cured face strips from them.

The most effective release agents found to date are the Dow-Corning silicones. A suggested proportion is 10% of DC-7 dissolved in carbon tetrachloride. Other release agents are being investigated and work is under way to develop new parting materials.

Borden is still concentrating its efforts on experimental work in connection with the "C" process, and especially on the phenolic formula-

tions. Although this work is not yet complete, it has become apparent that different phenolic formulations will probably be required for molds for casting different metals.

Cast Iron Patterns

In the recommendations made by Durez Plastics & Chemicals, Inc., for satisfactory operation of the "C" process, it is suggested that the pattern should be made of cast iron with a smooth finish. It should be hollow with a uniform section of about $\frac{1}{16}$ inch. The plate on which the pattern is mounted should also be of cast iron with a uniform $\frac{1}{16}$ in. thickness. The plate should contain knock-out pins, preferably mounted on a push plate for removal of the cured mold. A very smooth surface on the plate is important for easy removal of the mold. The uniform thickness of metal is necessary for uniform heating and conducting heat to the resin-sand mix in order to build up a mold of uniform thickness. Gates and runners should be mounted permanently along with the half pattern on the plate.

It is necessary to lubricate the patterns to prevent sticking of the resin-sand mold. Durez recommends a dilute solution of silicone mold-release fluid. This should be sprayed on the cold pattern and then applied to the hot pattern at intervals as may be necessary. A satisfactory

product packed in a convenient spray can is Bomb-Lube Mold Lubricant, made by Price-Driscoll Corp., New York 17, N. Y.

A conventional muller-type foundry mixer may be used to mix the sand and resin, but a tumbling-type mixer is preferred since it has less tendency to break down the sand.

The dump box for holding the resin-sand mixture and bringing it into contact with the hot metal pattern should be arranged for quick inversion. Durez has found that the box should be big enough to hold 40 to 80 lb. of the mix and have sufficient head space to allow the mix to fall about one foot before contacting the pattern. The weight of the mix and the effect of the fall insure good contact with the hot metal pattern.

A gas fired oven is desirable for quick heating of patterns. It should be large enough to hold several patterns of the largest size that will be used. It must be capable of maintaining a uniform temperature of 650° F. and have suitable temperature control adjustments. Baffles in the bottom are desirable to prevent over-heating of any part of the plate or pattern.

Satisfactory Resins

Several types of satisfactory powdered resins are available, and choice depends on the type of mold

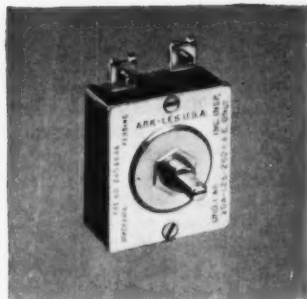
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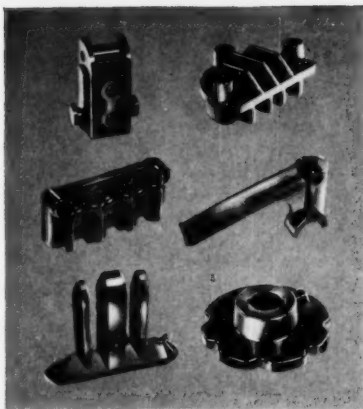
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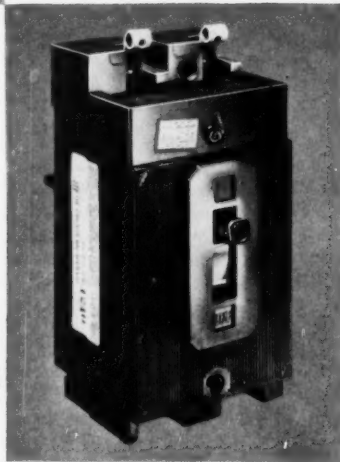
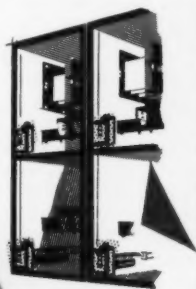
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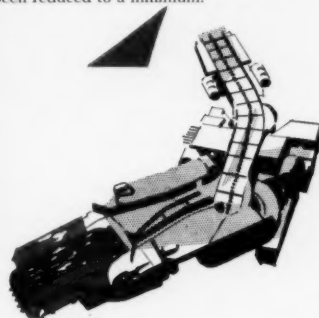
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and the metal to be poured into it. This can best be determined by trial. A wetting agent helps to make a more uniform mix. Such an agent also prevents segregation of sand and resin as the mix is handled and used. A special wetting agent that mixes easily and gives optimum results in this phase of the operation has been developed by Durez.

The sand should be free of clay, metal oxides, moisture, organic matter, and findings. Round sand of uniform particle size is preferable. In general, fine sands such as 155-AFA can be used for bronze and aluminum; coarser sand such as 90- to 100-AFA is preferable for steel as this gives greater porosity for quicker elimination of gases. Finish can be improved by adding small percentages of certain finely ground inorganic fillers, but too much will reduce porosity. The proportions of sand and resin are dependent on results desired. Higher resin content will produce a smoother and more accurate mold and casting.

Mold Making

In making molds, the resin-sand mix is prepared by mixing 100 lb. of sand with ¼ lb. of Durez wetting agent, preferably in a tumbling-type mixer, for 3 minutes. From 6 to 10 lb. of Durez powdered resin is then added and mixed thoroughly (2 to 3 minutes). Mix must be free flowing and free from lumps.

The pattern plate is placed in the oven at 650° F. until it has reached 550° F.; approximately 2 to 3 min.

should be sufficient for this step.

The pattern plate is clamped on top of the dump box. The box is then inverted quickly, and the mix is allowed to contact the hot pattern until a desired mold thickness is built up. The longer the contact the greater the thickness. A thickness of about ⅛ in. is generally satisfactory, Durez reports. If the pattern is hot enough, this should build up in 3 to 6 seconds. The resin fluxes from the heat of the pattern and bonds the sand, but is not thoroughly cured until the pattern plate with mold attached is placed in an oven at 650° F. for 2 to 3 minutes. The time in the oven must be sufficient to cure the resin and also to raise the pattern to the original temperature. If the pattern is not hot enough, the build-up of mold on pattern in the next cycle will not be as thick for same period of inverted dump box time. Durez indicates that it is preferable to undercure molds for use on steel and overcure those for use on bronze and aluminum for proper breakdown of the resin when the castings are poured.

The two halves of the mold must be held together during the pouring of the metal. Cores are assembled in the mold in the usual way. By proper design they can be used to assure accurate alignment of the two mold halves because of the accuracy of both mold and core when made by this method. For casting aluminum, merely clamping the two halves together is generally satisfactory. For heavier metals, the two

halves are placed in a box surrounded by steel shot.

Pouring Metal

The mold is poured in an upright position, contrary to usual foundry practice. Air and gases escape readily through the mold and, of course, no troublesome moisture is given off by the mold. Care should be taken to avoid turbulence of the metal during the pouring, as too much turbulence may remove some of the sand from the mold surface. The quick escape of air and gases eliminates any possibility of back pressure and results in a solid, dense structure comparatively free from porosity and defects. It is generally better to pour metal on the low side of the usual temperature range.

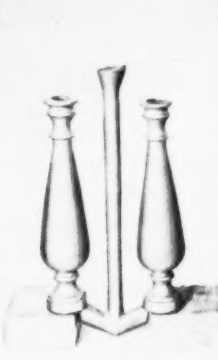
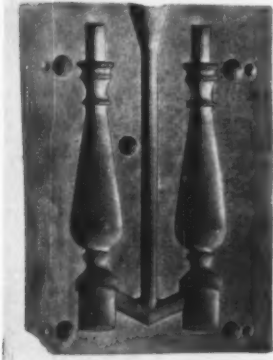
Large Volume Castings

Monsanto Chemical Co., sees the "C" process as especially adaptable to high-volume, small-size casting production where a large quantity of different patterns will not be required. A steel pattern is recommended for long runs, especially if close tolerances are required on the cast parts. Cored patterns will be satisfactory for some parts, although it is necessary to design such patterns carefully in order to get uniform heat transfer. One possible difficulty with thin-cored patterns is that close tolerances may be difficult to hold in the pattern. In Monsanto's experimental work, it has become apparent that a new "shrink-

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Steps in casting candlesticks with new process. From left to right: molding surface of sand-resin mold; back or outer surface; cast metal candlesticks just out of mold, complete with runners and riser still affixed; metal pattern

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How to Extrude, Orient, Anneal, Wind

Polyethylene Monofilaments

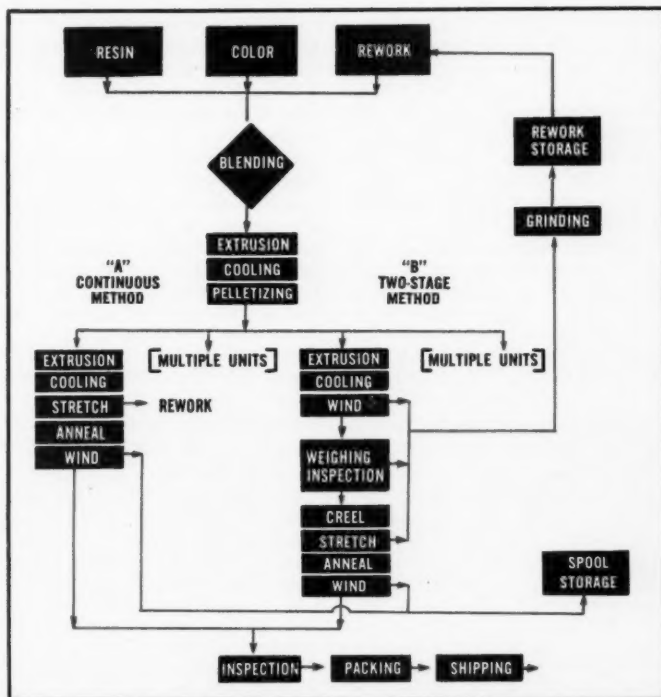
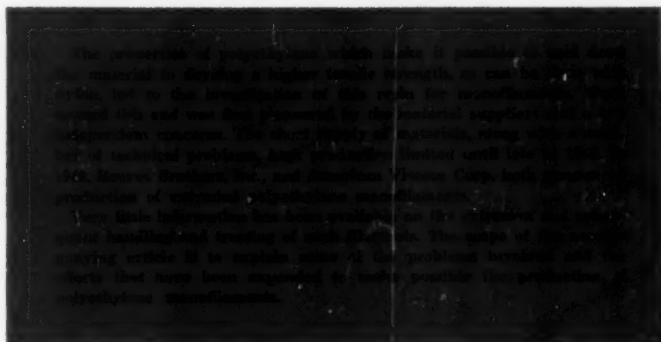
by W. H. Willert*

IN brief, the process for extruding polyethylene monofilaments consists of blending the resin and colorant to obtain the desired shade, compounding to put the resin in an extrudable form, and extruding into strands. The extruded filaments are then cooled, stretched to increase tensile strength, annealed to obtain thermal stabilization, and wound onto spools for the convenience of the weaver or converter. The flow sheet in Fig. 1 shows the two most conventional procedures used.

Raw Materials

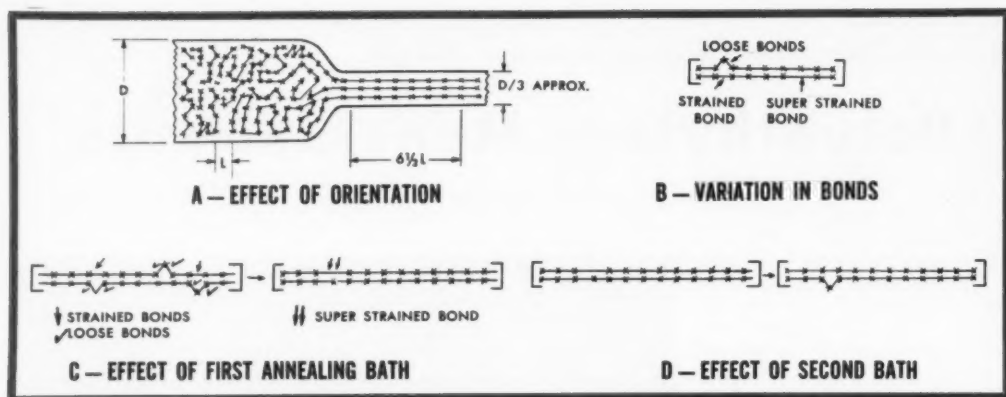
The raw materials used in monofilament extrusion consist of the resin and the colorants. The extrusion material can be purchased already colored but the possibility of utilizing scrap or reworkable material usually makes it more economical for the extruder to do his own compounding. In addition, compounding in the extrusion plant gives the operating flexibility of stocking the natural resin in advance and making up color batches at will. The resin is usually supplied in cube form in 50-lb. bags. The higher molecular-weight resin, running into the 20,000 to 22,000 range, is usually preferred for monofilament extrusion.

The colorants most satisfactory are the insoluble-type pigments and lakes that are heat stable to 600° F. as well as light stable. The types which have proved most satisfactory are the permanent 2B (red); cadmium selenide light reds and oranges; cadmium yellows—golden and primrose; phthalocyanine greens and blues; titanium dioxide or zinc oxide for whites and opaquing agents; and carbon blacks. Calcined iron oxides, siennas, and umbers for tints will provide a wide color range. The colors can be obtained as raw pigments, in powder form, or, preferably, as master-batches of pigments predispersed in resin. In the



1—Flow sheet of two methods used for extruding polyethylene monofilaments. The difference between the two methods is in the handling of the extruded and cooled filaments after they leave the cooling water bath

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2—How molecules are rearranged during orientation of polyethylene monofilaments, with resulting variations in the molecular bonds. Two annealing baths under controlled shrinkage conditions will relax super strained bonds

latter case, the plasticity of the master-batch must be greater than that of the resin in which it is to be used.

Compounding

The virgin resin, color or master-batch, and (if used) the ground rework are blended in a mechanical mixer. This mixture is fed to an extruder which melts the resins, further disperses the pigments, and removes all foreign materials as the compound passes through the screens and strainer plate. A screen pack consisting of several 150-mesh screens is normally used.

When dry pigments are used, the temperatures are kept low so that the material is worked to a greater extent and maximum dispersion is achieved. Higher temperatures are used with the master-batches because only melting of the resin is required for maximum dispersion. In almost all cases, the master-batches give the highest color values and the best results.

The molten resin is now forced through a forming die into multiple rods, which are drawn into a water bath at a temperature of about 160° F. From here, the rods go to a chopping or pelletizing unit which cuts the 1/8-in. diameter rods into pieces about 1/8 in. long. Banburys, roll mills, and other conventional mixing methods can be substituted for the above operation.

The next operation is the extrusion of the compounded resin into

filaments. The most suitable extruder is one with a 2-in. bore and with an extrusion capacity up to about 50 lb. per hour. The extrusion rate and temperatures are regulated to melt thoroughly the resin and destroy any crystalline or oriented molecular structure that might exist in the feed resin. Temperatures range from cooling at the hopper to 300 to 550° F. on the cylinder zone next to the hopper to 400 to 600° F. on the die.

The number of orifices and their diameter depend upon the size of the filaments to be produced and the capacity of the machine. The relationship of the diameter of the orifices to that of the strand before later cold stretching should be such that a pull down of at least 5% in cross sectional area, but not more than 15%, is required at the extruder. The reason for this is given under "Orientation" below. The length of the lands of the orifices should be such that it is several times the diameter.

A breaker plate and a screen pack should be inserted ahead of the die. The screens will remove any foreign material or undispersed pigment which might clog the die orifices or cause poor orienting; 150 mesh screens have proved to be of sufficient fineness.

The filaments are extruded downward from the die into a water bath. The distance from the water to the die, the temperature of the water, and the length of the bath depend

upon the capacity of the machine and the number and diameter of the strands. If the strands are cooled too rapidly, the outer surface shrinks faster than the interior, causing voids or weak spots which would result in poor orientation. A distance of 3 in. from the die to the water and a travel of 6 ft. in a bath ranging in temperature from 80 to 125° F. have proved satisfactory for a strand traveling up to 30 ft. per min. and of a size that is finally finished as a 12-mil filament. The same length bath can be used for larger diameter filament, but the rate of travel through the bath must be reduced.

A constant speed take-up is located at the end of the water bath to draw the filaments at a uniform rate; the diameter of the filaments is maintained by varying the extrusion rate. To produce filaments of a different size, the speed of the take-up, the size of the orifices, and the extrusion rate all have to be changed.

Handling the Filaments

There are two methods of handling the extruded material as it leaves the cooling tank. These methods are shown diagrammatically in Fig. 1. In the continuous method, the filaments are immediately oriented, annealed, and wound on spools ready for shipping. In the other or two-stage method, the unstretched strands are wound on spools at a very low tension, and the

rest of the process is made a separate and independent operation.

The continuous method requires less floor space and has the added advantage that less handling is required and that the finished product is obtained almost immediately after it is extruded. Should extrusion conditions change, should dirt or foreign material get into the strands due to a misplaced or clogged screen, should poor color dispersion be obtained or should any other trouble develop, it can be detected immediately from the stretching characteristics and corrected. On the other hand, the only production control possible is to measure the diameter of the filaments. The other main disadvantage is that the whole operation must be interrupted if tangling and snarling of the yarn occurs in the course of the orienting, annealing, or winding operation.

The greatest advantage of the two-stage process is that the extrusion rate is not limited by the orientation capacity. A number of orientation and annealing units can be used to handle the output of one extruder. Also, the units can be stopped and started at will, without affecting the extruder output, to correct snarls, to tie knots, etc. Because no breaks occur in the extrusion operation, the weight of filament on each spool can be used for a yardage control. The extra handling, greater floor space required, and the difficulty of detecting until later any changes in extrusion conditions that affect the

stretch qualities, are a few of the disadvantages of the two-stage process.

The choice between the two methods depends largely upon the size filament to be produced and the size extruders to be used. For a 2-in. extruder, the continuous method is more economical for filaments down to 12 mils, and the two-stage method for those smaller in diameter. It is inadvisable to use an extruder smaller than 2 in. in bore because of low production rate and difficulty in feeding.

Orientation

In the process of orientation, the extruded filaments are cold stretched to produce increased tensile strength and to reduce elongation. In this operation the material is changed from an amorphous form, where the molecules are not in any particular arrangement, to a crystalline structure, where they have a definite relationship to one another—as illustrated in simplified form by the "Xs" in sketch A, Fig. 2. The lines between the "Xs" represent the molecular bonds. The amount of stretch that can be obtained depends upon the extrusion heats, hot stretch or pull-down between the die and the water bath, molecular weight of the resin, pigment dispersion, and loading. Figure 3 shows how tensile strength increases as the strands are elongated. The strands should be stretched sufficiently to remove all residual elongation and to start on the elastic elongation phase. This



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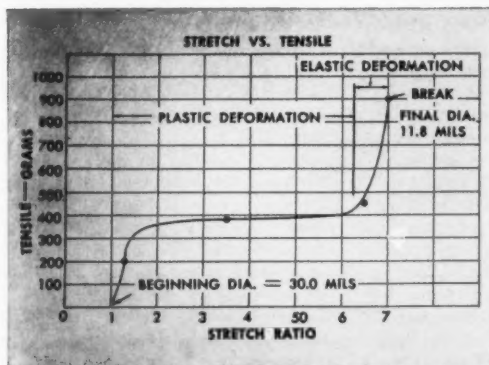
insures that the filaments become fully oriented. The orientation can be accomplished by the use of a pair of rolls running at different speeds.

The speed of orienting the filaments is limited only by the rate at which the material can be handled. Heat is generated in the strands as they are stretched. Slight warming of the strands or taking them from the water bath after the extruder at temperatures around 160° F. reduces the amount of tension required to stretch them. Poor color dispersion or foreign materials in the strands reduce the efficiency of this operation by causing breaks in the filaments.

Annealing

When the filaments are oriented, perfect alignment of the molecules is not obtained; rather, some of the bonds are loose or under strain. Some of the combinations that can result are shown in B, Fig. 2. Be-

3—Tensile strength development in polyethylene monofilament by stretching to remove all residual elongation



4—Shrinkage-temperature curves of two oriented monofilaments, one unannealed (upper curve) and one annealed

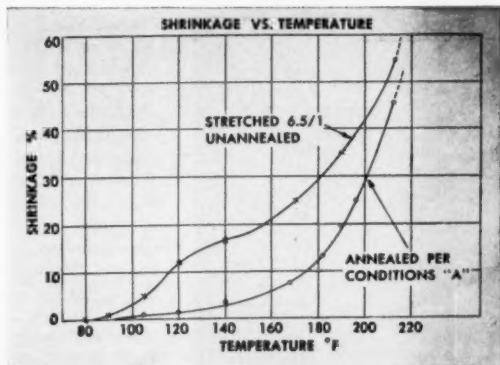


Table I—Winding and Annealing Two Filaments

Condition	Winding		1st Bath		2nd Bath		Length
	Length	Stretch	Temp.	Shrinkage	Temp.	Shrinkage	
A	100	250	120	0	120	20.0	400
B	100	300	120	0	120	18.2	400

cause of these imperfections the filaments have internal strains which give rise to a tendency to shrink when subjected to heat. To thermally stabilize the filaments, they are subjected to an annealing process following stretching. To keep the highest level of orientation and tensile strength, the stretched filaments are first passed through a bath at a temperature just under the yield temperature or softening point of the resin, between 195 and 200° F. In this bath, the filaments are prevented from shrinking by a pair of rolls running at the same speed; this theoretically lets some of the bonds slip as in C, Fig. 2.

The first annealing bath is followed by a second one at a slightly lower temperature. Here the filaments are allowed to shrink a predetermined amount under the control of differential rolls. This bath

relaxes the tight or strained bond, as shown in D, Fig. 2. The amount of shrinkage allowed depends upon the tensile strength, elongation, and thermal stability desired in the finished filaments. The more shrinkage allowed in this bath, the lower will be the tensile strength, the greater will be the elongation, and the higher will be the level of heat stability. This bath is usually operated at about 190° F.

The length of the baths or the total immersion time depends upon the diameter of the filaments and the speed at which they are traveling. An immersion of about 2 sec. in each bath for 12-mil filaments is sufficient for proper annealing. Additional time has been found to result in little advantage.

General Conditions

The conditions for orientation and annealing are closely related. The results which may be expected by changing certain conditions can be demonstrated by two examples, tabulated in Table I. Both sample monofilaments will have about the same average tensile, elongation, and shrinkage, but the filament treated under condition "A" will be more uniform. Filament "B" may contain slubs (unoriented sections) resulting in diameter variations and non-uniform shrinkage characteristics. In all cases the orientation should be kept at a maximum to insure uniformity. The above sample filaments should be stable to 120° F. with a maximum shrinkage of 8% at 165° F. and a tensile strength of 18,000 p.s.i. for 21,000 to 22,000 molecular-weight resin in a 12-mil filament. By increasing or lowering the shrinkage allowed in the second bath, the properties can be varied as described above. Figure 4 shows the effect of annealing a

12-mil filament per condition "A", Table I.

Winding

Winding tensions should be held to a minimum so as not to stretch the yarn. To accomplish this, tension of approximately 500 p.s.i. should be used, or about 32 gm. on a 12-mil filament. However, if the tension is too low, "soft" spools will result which makes the yarn difficult to remove. The size of the spools should be selected in proportion to the diameter of the yarn to which they are to be used, so the pull-off tensions in the warping and beaming operations in weaving do not exceed the above amount.

Weaving and Finishing

In the weaving of polyethylene monofilaments, no particular difficulties are encountered. A few minor changes should be made on the loom such as providing the take-up rolls with a special friction covering to prevent slippage and the use of a good grade of fur in the shuttles to stop the yarn from sloughing off the quills. Because the material is naturally flexible, the quills do not have to be heated as is often done when weaving other plastic monofilaments.


Finishing consists of calendaring cold to set the position of the filaments in the pattern. This is followed by further heat treating or annealing in a heated water bath or air to stabilize the fabric against shrinkage. By this method it is possible to obtain a fabric with less than 1% shrinkage at 165° F. A light finishing calendar is required to produce a smooth finished piece of non-moisture absorbing, wear-resistant, light-stable, attractive fabric suitable for upholstery, luggage applications, and other special uses.

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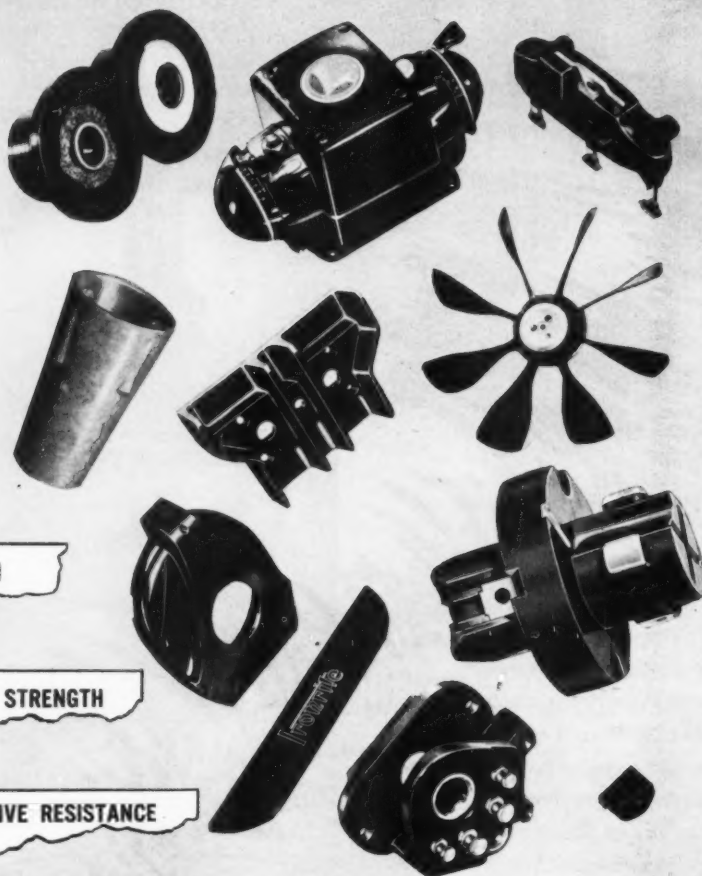
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Dielectric Fatigue of Thermoset Laminates

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Dielectric fatigue tests were run on each of several grades of thermosetting plastic laminates. Breakdown voltage was plotted against time. The data obtained indicate that for a given temperature, thickness, and conditioning, a limiting voltage exists below which fatigue will not occur for an indefinite period of time. Tests of this type yield results which are helpful in the design of insulating components for electrical equipment.

THE three factors entering into consideration of a material as a dielectric are dielectric strength, dielectric loss, and insulation resistance. Of these, perhaps dielectric strength is the more important, because it depends on many other factors such as temperature, moisture resistance, thermal aging, and mechanical wear.

Experience has shown that thermosetting laminates are highly desirable as insulating parts. This is due to their unusual combination of properties which include mechanical strength, electrical insulation, moisture resistance, chemical resistance, thermal endurance, resistance to aging, wear resistance, lightness in weight, and ease of fabrication. Although a great deal of data has been published on the electrical properties of high pressure laminates, very little literature is available on their fatigue properties.

The dielectric strength¹ of an insulating material is the maximum potential gradient that the material can withstand without rupture. It is calculated from the breakdown voltage and the thickness of the specimen and is commonly expressed in volts per mil. The value obtained in a test will depend upon the method and conditions of tests and, in general, will vary with temperature, thickness, conditioning treatment of the specimen, and with the duration of the test.

For quick determination of dielectric strength, the short-time test has been devised. For fairly rapid determinations, but laying more emphasis on the time factor, the step-by-step test has been arranged. Tests involving short exposures are primarily comparative and not indicative of the breakdown of the materials under prolonged exposure to lower stresses. The limitations of

these tests have already been pointed out in the appendix to the A.S.T.M. Standards on Electrical Insulating Materials.²

Most dielectric strength measurements are taken perpendicular to the laminations, and standards are usually set up on this basis. However, many applications involve electrical stresses in a direction parallel to laminations, and standard test methods are available for making measurements in this direction. These tests indicate that thermosetting laminates have lower dielectric strength parallel to laminations than perpendicular to lami-

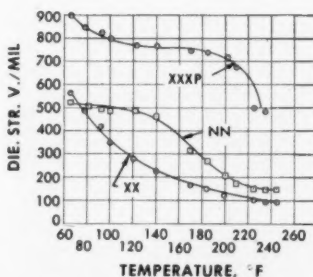
²Published by American Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race St., Phila., Pa.

Table I—Effect of Temperature on Dielectric Strength (Short Time) of Laminates

Temperature °F.	Dielectric strength (short time)*		
	Grade XX v./mil	Grade XXX v./mil	Grade NN v./mil
65	568	900	520
77	484	850	498
91	416	825	486
100	339	800	483
121	282	775	480
139	240	778	455
170	160	750	317
184	138	743	275
202	120	719	213
210	103	675	170
225	99	500	155
236	87	490	145
244	86	.....	140
256	82	.....	134

* Average for five specimens, 1/16 in. in thickness, conditioned for 1 hr. at 220° F.

¹A.S.T.M. D 149-44.



1—Effect of temperature on short-time dielectric strength of 1/16-in.-thick laminates tested dry

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Table II.—Effect of Thickness on Dielectric Strength (Short Time) of Grade XX Laminate

Thickness	Observed dielectric strength (short time) ^a	N.E.M.A. dielectric strength (short time)	minimum	average
in.	v./mil	v./mil	v./mil	v./mil
1/32	940	700	950	
1/16	695	500	700	
1/8	515	360	500	

^a Average for five specimens conditioned for 1 hr. at 220° F. and tested at 73° F.

nations. This investigation is limited to a study of the breakdown voltages of certain grades of laminates perpendicular to laminations. It is like earlier work on molding materials by Shuster and Telfair.²

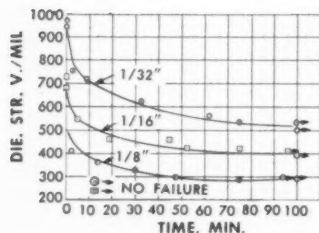
Long-time service is expected of the laminates which are used in electrical applications. Therefore, it seemed pertinent to determine the fatigue characteristics of these products. An analysis of the effects of temperature, thickness, humidity, and time will determine the safety factor to be used in designing insulation for electrical equipment.

Experimental

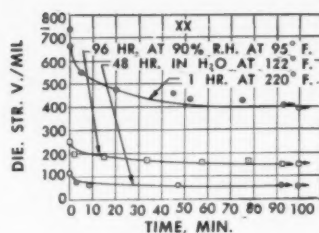
The six standard N.E.M.A. grades³ of laminated thermosetting products tested were: X, XX, XXXP, LE, A, and G-5. In addition to these standard grades, a nylon fabric base (grade NN) was also investigated.

Dielectric measurements were made on grades XX, XXXP, and

² "Dielectric Fatigue of Plastics," *MOSMAN PLASTICS* 25, 123 (Mar. 1948).
³ National Electrical Manufacturers Association Standards for Laminated Thermosetting Products, Publication No. 46-118, (Aug. 1946.)



2—Effect of thickness on dielectric fatigue strength of grade XX laminate tested dry at 73° F.



3, 4—Effect of conditioning treatments on dielectric fatigue strength of 1/16-in. laminates at 73° F.

NN at various temperatures keeping thickness and conditioning of samples constant. These tests were made in oil on specimens 6 by 6 in. in accordance with A.S.T.M. D 149-44. Table I shows the average short-time dielectric strength for temperatures from 65° to 256° F.

The data are shown graphically in Fig. 1. These curves indicate that as the temperature of the laminate increases the dielectric strength decreases. They also show that some grades do not decrease in dielectric strength as rapidly as others. For example, grade XXXP decreases very slowly between 80° and 200° F. This is a great advantage in applications such as electronic equipment where the component parts operate at elevated temperatures. In order to eliminate the effect of temperature in other tests of this series, all subsequent tests were made at a standard 73° F.

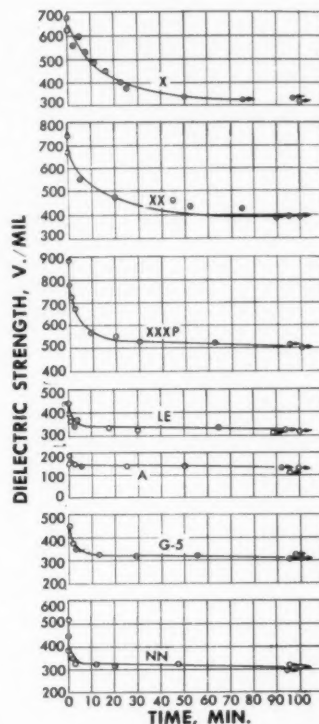
Although the knowledge of variations of dielectric strength (short time) with thickness is well established, it was confirmed while determining the dielectric fatigue strength of grade XX for three different thicknesses. The samples were tested at 73° F. after conditioning 1 hr. at 220° F., followed by cooling in a desiccator. The data are shown in Table II along with values published by the National Electrical Manufacturers Association.

The results indicated that thickness should be kept constant for the fatigue tests. A thickness of 1/16 in. was selected for all test specimens for the remaining investigation. This thickness was selected because it is a representative thickness used in electrical applications.

Three 1/16-in. thick samples of grade XX were tested following different types of conditioning. The first set of samples was conditioned 1 hr. at 220° F., the second set was placed in an atmosphere of 90% relative humidity at 95° F. for 96 hr., and the third set was immersed in water at 122° F. for 48 hours. The short-time dielectric strengths for these samples were measured at 73° F. and the relative results are shown in Table III. It is evident from these data that uniform sample conditioning must be kept.

All the samples for the remaining tests were conditioned for 1 hr. at

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5—Dielectric fatigue strength of 1/16-in. thick thermoset laminates which were tested dry at 73° F.

Permeability of Polymeric Films to Gases[†]

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The permeabilities of 21 polymeric films to oxygen, hydrogen, carbon dioxide, nitrogen, ammonia, hydrogen sulphide, and sulfur dioxide, both dry and moist, were studied. The data are presented in terms of a permeability constant P^0 and are interpreted in terms of the structures and physical properties of the films and the gases. In general, it may be said that gas permeation increases with any decrease in the bonding forces between the polymer molecules of the film and with any increase in the attractive forces between film and gas. Thus, highly polar, strongly bound polymers are less permeable to non-polar gases than are the less polar, weakly bound polymers. The introduction of side chains onto the main polymer chains, the introduction of plasticizers, and the presence of water all tend to increase permeability. Certain significant deviations from this general rule are noted and discussed.

THE selective permeability of polymeric films to certain gases is becoming commercially important. Recently, several investigators, (1-6)* using several experimental techniques, have reported permeability data for a number of film-gas combinations. The investigations reported here were undertaken to obtain quantitative data on rates of gas transmission through a number of thin polymeric films and to interpret the data in terms of film and gas molecular structure and the effect of water and plasticizer content of the films.

Preparation of Films

Twenty-one polymeric films were investigated in this study. They are listed with their compositions and preparations in Table I. In general, they were prepared by the same procedures as were given in the first (7) of these two articles.

Reagents

The gases used in this study were purchased in commercial cylinders from a commercial source (8) and were used without further purification.

The purities quoted by the manufacturer in terms of percentage were as follows:

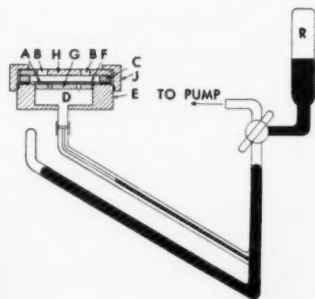
Anhydrous ammonia (NH ₃)	99.0
Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)	99.0
Hydrogen (H ₂)	99.8
Hydrogen sulphide (H ₂ S)	99.9
Nitrogen (N ₂)	99.9
Oxygen (O ₂)	99.6
Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂)	99.7

1—Gas transmission units used to obtain permeability data. Standard model at left; modified at right



All of the gas permeability data reported here was obtained with a standard General Foods gas-transmission instrument or with a modified instrument constructed to our specifications. These two instruments are pictured in Fig. 1, the standard model being on the reader's left. Schuman (4) and Elder (5) describe the standard model and the method of making gas transmission measurements with it in detail. The modified model (schematically illustrated in Fig. 2) operates on the same principle as the standard, but provides higher sensitivity over a greater range of permeability rates through the use of an inclined manometer and a larger reservoir space on the film's vacuum side.

The major portion of the data was obtained at 24 to 25° C. The testing temperature was not permitted to



2—Sketch of modified model. A) Filter paper; B) gas entrance and exit ports; C) rubber gasket; D) gas chamber; E) block; F) film; G) film support; H) sealing disk; J) clamping ring; and R) mercury reservoir

vary more than $\pm 0.5^\circ$ C. from the mean for any particular test. The pressure of the gas above the film was determined by the atmospheric pressure and did not vary more than ± 1 mm. (Hg) during any test. The

[†]For the purposes of this discussion gases are defined as compounds whose boiling points are below 25° C.

^{††}Cellophane Research, Rayon Department, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc.

*Numbers in parentheses link to "References" at end of article.

film being tested was protected from moisture by drying towers in both the incoming and outgoing gas lines except when the influence of water in the gas was being determined. In such cases, the incoming gas was conditioned to the desired humidity by passing through bubble bottles containing saturated salt solutions. The observed exit pressure of the gas was then corrected for the partial pressure of the water vapor and for the pressure drop in the exit gas line.

All gas permeability data obtained in this study are reported here in terms of the permeability constant P^* which is defined as the number of moles of gas passing through one sq. cm. of film, one cm. thick, per sec. per cm. (Hg) vapor-pressure difference across the film. Vapor pressure changes on the vacuum side of the film were recorded until P^* reached a constant value. The vapor-pressure differences across the films at the time at which P^* became constant varied

between a minimum of 67 cm. (Hg) and a maximum of 74 cm. (Hg) for the different film-gas combinations. Check determinations were made on each combination using a fresh sample of film each time. Values of P^* for check determinations varying more than 10% were not included in the calculations.

Experimental Results

All of the gas transmission data obtained in this study are reported as permeability constants in Tables II through VIII. P^* may be converted to practical units such as cc/sq.in./hr., if desired, for any particular gas at any pressure differential across a film of established thickness.

The mechanisms by which gases may pass through films are thought to be the same as those by which vapors penetrate films. Briefly, according to the generally accepted picture, the gas may penetrate existing holes in the polymer structure or holes which are opened

Table I.—Film Composition and Preparation

Film No.	Composition	Preparation
I	Regenerated cellulose; no plasticizer	Viscose process
II	Regenerated cellulose; 12% ethylene glycol plasticizer	Viscose process
III	Regenerated cellulose; 17% ethylene glycol plasticizer	Viscose process
IV	Regenerated cellulose; 14% glycerol plasticizer	Viscose process
V	Regenerated cellulose; 22% glycerol plasticizer	Viscose process
VI	Regenerated cellulose; no plasticizer	Deacetylated cellulose acetate film
VII	Regenerated cellulose; no plasticizer	High solids viscose—heat coagulated and regenerated in acid-salt solution
VIII	Regenerated cellulose; 18% glycerol plasticizer; coated both sides with 3 gm./sq. meter of nitrocellulose-wax moisture-proof coating	Viscose process
IX	Regenerated cellulose; 22% glycerol plasticizer; coated both sides with 6 gm./sq. meter of vinylidene chloride/acrylonitrile (90/10 weight ratio) copolymer moistureproof coating	Viscose process
X	Vinyl butyral/vinyl alcohol (89/11 mole ratio) copolymer	Cast from toluene/isopropanol solution
XI	Vinyl chloride/diethyl fumarate (95/5 weight ratio) copolymer	Cast from toluene/methyl ethyl ketone solution
XII	Nylon; 66/610/6 polyamide (40/30/30 weight ratio)	Cast from isopropanol/water solution
XIII	Rubber hydrochloride	Cast from chlorinated hydrocarbon solution
XIV	Vinylidene fluoride polymer	Cast from dimethyl formamide solution
XV	Vinyl alcohol polymer; no plasticizer	Cast from water solution
XVI	Vinylidene chloride/vinyl chloride (85/15 weight ratio) copolymer	Melt extruded
XVII	Polythene (ethylene polymer)	Cast from xylene solution
XVIII	Chlorinated polythene (33% chlorine by weight)	Cast from xylene solution
XIX	Chlorinated polythene (36.7% chlorine by weight)	Cast from xylene solution
XX	Chlorinated polythene (40.6% chlorine by weight)	Cast from xylene solution
XXI	Ethyl cellulose (48.3% ethoxyl) plasticized with 15% of butyl phthalyl butyl glycolate	Cast from toluene/ethanol solution

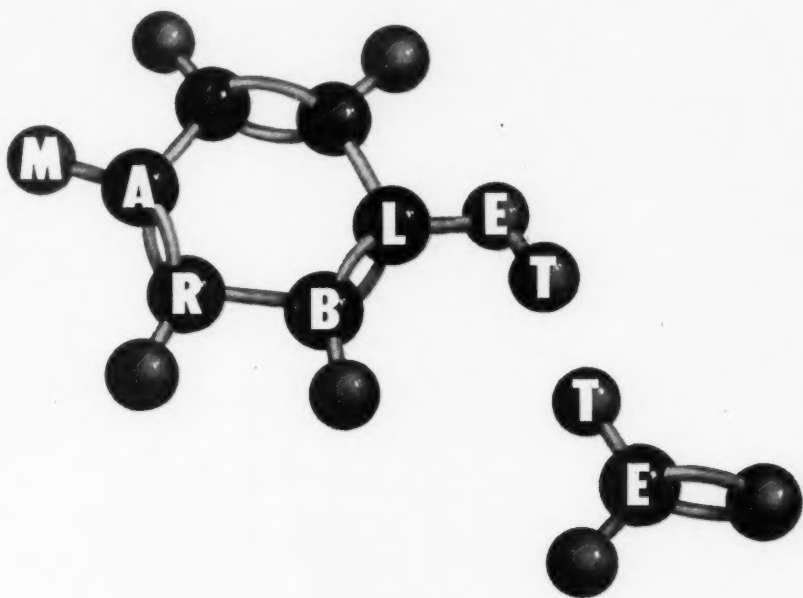
Table II.—Permeability of Cellulose Film I

Gas	Temp.	Mol. wt.	Dipole moment*	$P^* \times 10^{17}$
	°C.		Debye units	
H ₂	24.3	2	0	2.81
NH ₃	25.3	17	1.49	7.04
N ₂	25.0	28	0	1.43
O ₂	24.6	32	0	0.95
H ₂ S	27.8	34	0.95	0.51
CO ₂	24.3	44	0	2.10
SO ₂	28.1	64	1.61	0.77

* Smyth, C. P., *Dielectric Constant and Molecular Structure* New York: Reinhold Publishing Corp.

momentarily by thermal action, or the gas may dissolve in the film at one surface and evaporate from the film at the opposite surface. Inasmuch as gases are generally less soluble in films at room temperature than are vapors, transport by solution should not be such an important factor as it is for vapors.

The work reported here was concerned with correlating the structures of gases and of various polymer films with permeability rates. The data may conveniently be considered under two headings: regenerated cellulose films and other



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polymeric films. Such an arbitrary separation does not imply that both types of film do not obey similar laws of permeation, but is made because a greater variety of modifying factors was introduced into the investigation conducted on cellulose film permeability.

Cellulose Films

Effect of Gas Structure on Permeability—The permeability of regenerated cellulose film containing no plasticizer (see Film I in Table I) to seven dry gases is summarized in Table II.

The permeability of dry cellophane to gases is of the order of 10,000 times less than it is to vapors (see the preceding article of this series). This indicates that the cellophane structure is relatively compact and free of holes. There is a rough inverse correlation between the size of the gas molecules and their permeation rates. Remembering that polar cellulose should more readily dissolve polar molecules than non-polar molecules, the enhanced permeability of cellophane to ammonia and sulfur dioxide becomes understandable. On the basis of molecular size and polarity, the transmission rate of carbon dioxide appears to be too high. The incorporation of water in cellulose greatly increases carbon dioxide transmission (as shown in Table IV) and

Table III.—Gas Permeability of Structurally Dissimilar Cellophanes at 0% Relative Humidity

Film No. and type	$P^* \times 10^7$	
	O_2	CO_2
I Regenerated cellulose	0.88	2.10
VI Deacetylated cellulose acetate sheet	4.12	4.34
VII Heat-coagulated viscose cellulose	5.46	.....

it is possible that a very small amount of water, inadvertently allowed to remain in the cellophane, is responsible for the high P^* value. In this event, P^* for carbon dioxide must be considered correct only as to order of magnitude. It is practically impossible to secure completely dry cellulose.

Effect of Film Structure on Permeability—X-ray diffraction, water absorption, and physical property

data (9) indicate that the physical structure of a cellulose sheet may be modified by the technique used in preparing it. An attempt was made to determine whether or not these structural changes would be reflected in gas transmission rates. The data of Table III indicate that three different cellulose films, normally thought to be quite different structurally, all exhibit gas transmission rates of the same order of magnitude.

Even the differences in P^* exhibited by these films may be due to mechanical flaws in the film. The best obtainable samples of the experimental deacetylated cellulose acetate and heat-coagulated films contained some thin spots and bubbles. However, the greater permeability of the experimental films compared to the machine-cast cellophane is in line with the less ordered structure assigned to them from water absorption and x-ray diffraction data.

Effect of the Presence of Water Vapor on Permeability—Cellulose films sorb water from gases containing water vapor. This phenomenon might be expected to affect the rate of transmission of a gas through a cellophane film in two ways. Thus, absorbed or adsorbed water might act as active centers for gas adsorption and increase gas permeation by a process of solution and evaporation. Also, the physical structure of cellulose is changed by sorbed water. Some of the active hydroxyl groups which, when water-free, would aid transmission of gases might be covered or blocked by the water and thus decrease gas transmission. On the other hand, the process of sorbing water causes the cellulose structure to expand and weakens the intermolecular forces to such an extent that the number of existing and potential holes available for gas transmission is increased. It might be expected that the permeability of cellulosic films to most gases would be increased by increasing the water content of the film. The data of Table IV substantiate this expectation.

The data in Table IV show clearly that the increase of permeability of a wet film over a dry film is closely related to the solubility of the permeant gas in water. It is obviously necessary to know the

relative humidity of a gas and its solubility in water before calculating its rate of permeation through a cellulose film.

Effect of Plasticizers on Permeability—It was demonstrated in the preceding article of this series that plasticizers may either increase or decrease the vapor permeability of a film. It was postulated that an increase was brought about by the spreading effect of the plasticizer on the polymer chains and, in some cases, by the solution of the vapor in the plasticizer. On the other hand,

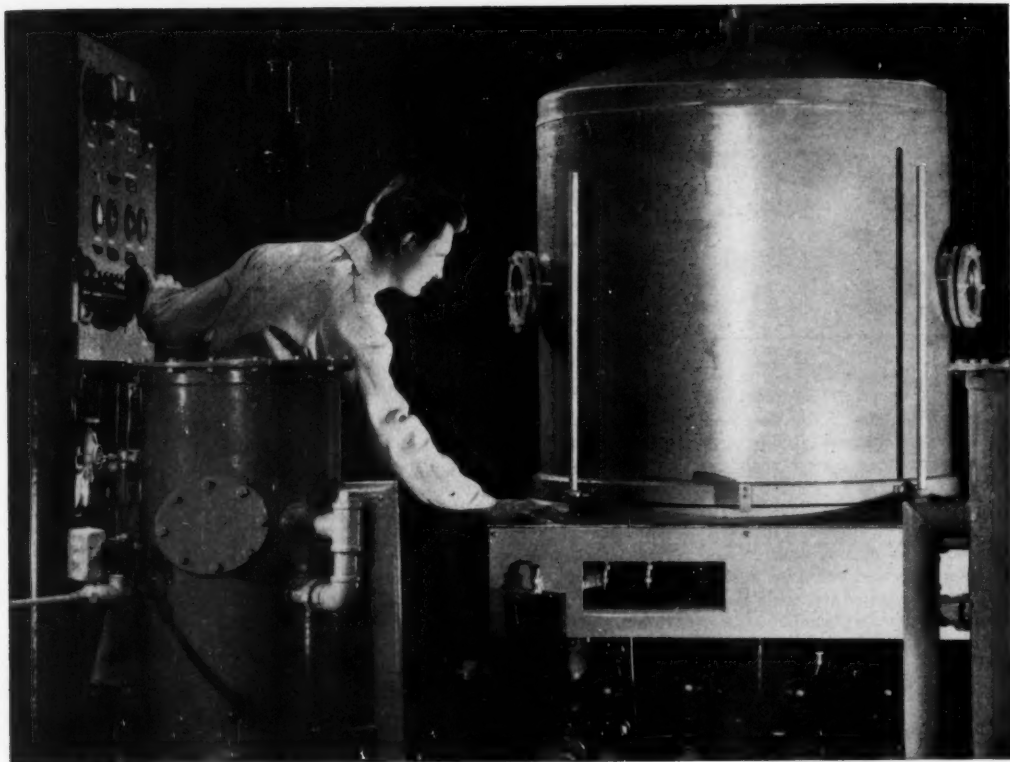
Table IV.—Gas Permeability of Wet Regenerated Cellulose Film I at 24.5° C.

Gas	S^*	$P^* \times 10^7$ at various relative humidities			
		0%	43%	79%	100%
H_2	0.018	2.81	7.14	14.50	35.60
O_2	0.028	0.95	3.19	3.96	5.18
N_2	0.014	1.43	3.02	3.33	8.20
CO_2	0.770	2.10	5.80	32.10	114.50
NH ₃	632.000	7.04	.....	.....	79,000.00
SO_2	33.400	0.77	.....	.....	16,900.00
H ₂ S	2.310	0.51	.....	.....	253.00

*S is volume of gas (S.T.P.) dissolved in 1 volume of water when the pressure of the gas is 760 mm. Data from Lange's Handbook of Chemistry, 4th edition (1941).

a decrease was assumed to be caused by the blocking effect of the plasticizer in filling holes and adsorbing on active polymer groups which otherwise would be available for vapor solution. It would be reasonable to assume that plasticizers would have the same effects on gas transmission. The data of Table V indicate that plasticized regenerated cellulose is always more permeable to gases than unplasticized cellulose film, indicating that any blocking effect present is less important than chain spreading and/or gas solution due to plasticizer.

Measured by the extent to which they increase permeability, ethylene glycol and glycerol are roughly equivalent. The data taken at 100% relative humidity indicate that plasticized regenerated cellulose sorbs water more advantageously, from the standpoint of providing a diffusion path for gases, than does unplasticized regenerated cellulose. In normal practice, one is always concerned with a more or less moist gas and a plasticized film. For this



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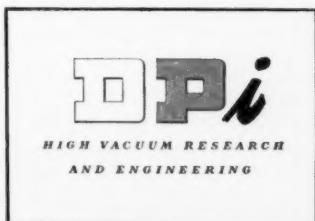


Table V.—Gas Permeability of Plasticized Regenerated Cellulose Films

Film Type	Plasticizer	Relative % of dry film wt. humidity	$P \times 10^7$					
			H_2	O_2	N_2	CO_2	SO_2	H_2S
I	None	0	2.81	0.95	1.43	2.10	0.77	0.51
I	None	100	35.60	5.18	8.20	114.00	.....	253.00
IV	Glycerol	14	0	3.63	3.22	2.03	3.92	.....
V	Glycerol	22	0	6.60	4.51	3.45	4.98	33.6
V	Glycerol	22	100	.....	546.00	.....	754.00	.....
II	Ethylene glycol	12	0	3.04	2.91	1.76	3.43	.....
III	Ethylene glycol	17	0	5.24	.....	3.03	3.51	.....

reason, it is imperative to know the plasticizer content of the film and the moisture contents of film and gas in solving any gas permeability problem.

Effect of Coatings on Regenerated Cellulose Permeability—The gas permeability of dry, plasticized, uncoated regenerated cellulose is less than that of most of the other film-forming polymers studied (see Tables V and VII). As a consequence, it would be reasonable to expect that the cellulose portion of polymer-coated cellophane sheets would be the permeability rate controlling portion. This would be particularly true of films coated with nitrocellulose-based coating. Cellulose derivatives are generally more permeable to gas and vapors than cellulose. The incorporation of wax, plasticizer, and resins in the coating further increases permeability, probably by disrupting any ordered existence the nitrocellulose molecules may have enjoyed otherwise. On the other hand, vinylidene chloride copolymers are almost as gas impermeable as dry regenerated cellulose, but, as thin coatings, they could not be expected to increase the over-all impermeability of the regenerated cellulose film to any appreciable extent.

The above discussion considers only dry gases. Inasmuch as water vapor penetrates all so-called "moistureproof" coatings at a measurable rate, sooner or later equilibrium between the water vapor in the diffusing gas and the cellulose base sheet will be attained. When equilibrium is reached, the gas transmission rate will be much higher unless a relatively gas-impermeable coating has been used.

The data of Table VI are in line with expectations. Wet, plasticized regenerated cellulose film V is highly permeable to carbon dioxide and oxygen. The nitrocellulose-based coating of film VIII decreases this permeability somewhat, but the effect of the water is still large. The permeability of the vinylidene chloride/acrylonitrile-coated film IX to wet gases is relatively quite small indicating that the coating (which is not much affected by water) has become the real obstacle confronting gas transmission.

Non-Cellulosic Films

The permeabilities of 12 non-cellulosic films to dry oxygen and carbon dioxide and to moist carbon dioxide were determined. The data are summarized in Table VII together with some data on hydrogen, nitrogen, and information on hydrogen sulfide.

The data of Table VII represent a spectrum of permeability ranging from unplasticized regenerated cellulose, polyvinyl alcohol, and vinylidene chloride/vinyl chloride on the

low side to polythene, vinyl butyral/vinyl alcohol copolymer, and plasticized ethyl cellulose on the high side. The variation in permeability appears to be connected to variations in the structure and properties of the polymers and gases. Apparently, for gas permeability, the intermolecular attractive forces of the polymer film are quite important. If these forces are strong, the polymer chains should be held tightly together and it will be difficult for holes to form through which gas molecules may pass. This hypothesis implies that the gas molecules will have little effect on the interchain bonds of the polymer. As an illustration, it is interesting to observe that dry polyvinyl alcohol, whose interchain forces are strong, exhibits low permeability both to the polar hydrogen sulfide molecule and the non-polar hydrogen and oxygen molecules. On the other hand, polythene can be held together only by weak van der Waal's forces, and it is highly permeable to both polar and non-polar gases. The presence of side chains on the main chains or of plasticizer molecules between polymer chains would be expected to decrease polymer intermolecular forces or to increase the number of paths available to gases in some fashion. Evidence that this does happen is available in the relatively high permeability of such films.

A comparison of the gas and vapor permeability of a few typical films provides a clue to the importance to permeability of the interaction (adsorption and intermolecular bond breaking) of polymer and diffusing molecule.

In the examples listed in Table

Table VI.—Permeability of Coated Regenerated Cellulose Films

Film No. and type	Relative humidity	$P \times 10^7$				
		%	H_2	O_2	CO_2	SO_2
V	Uncoated regenerated cellulose	0	6.60	4.51	4.98	1.00
	with 22% glycerol plasticizer	100	.....	546.00	754.00	.....
VIII	Regenerated cellulose with 18% glycerol plasticizer coated with a nitrocellulose-based moistureproof coating	0	6.53	3.45	5.59	.....
		100	.....	190.00	.....	.....
IX	Regenerated cellulose with 22% glycerol plasticizer coated with vinylidene chloride/acrylonitrile (90/10) copolymer moistureproof coating	0	5.30	6.84	1.84
		100	12.70	13.70	11.47

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Table VII.—Permeability of Plastic Films to Gases

Film No. and Composition	Relative humidity	$P^* \times 10^{17}$					
		%	H ₂	O ₂	N ₂	CO ₂	H ₂ S
I Regenerated cellulose; no plasticizer	0	2.81	0.95	1.43	2.10	0.51	
	100	35.60	5.18	8.20	114.00	253.00	
V Regenerated cellulose; 22% glycerol plasticizer	0	6.60	4.51	3.45	4.98	1.00	
	100	.....	546.00	.....	754.00	.....
X Vinyl butyral/vinyl alcohol (89/11 mole ratio copolymer)	0	4250.00	464.00	.....	2280.00	2670.00	
	100	.....	.....	.....	1720.00	2940.00	
XI Vinyl chloride/diethyl fumarate (95/5 weight ratio) copolymer	0	1040.00	50.60	.....	169.00	.....
	100	.....	51.40	.....	281.00	.....
XII Nylon; 66/610/6 polyamide (40/30/30 weight ratio)	0	.....	14.50	.....	25.3	.....
	100	.....	.....	.....	261.00	.....
XIII Rubber hydrochloride	0	.....	42.50	.....	139.00	.....
	100	.....	.....	.....	202.00	.....
XIV Vinylidene fluoride polymer	0	184.00	24.40	.....	160.00	.....
	100	.....	.....	.....	162.00	.....
XV Vinyl alcohol polymer; no plasticizer	0	4.00	3.96	.....	5.50	3.10	
	100	.....	.....	.....	38,700.00	.....
XVI Vinylidene chloride/vinyl chloride (85/15 weight ratio) copolymer	0	.....	5.96	.....	5.69	.....
	100	.....	.....	.....	10.60	.....
XVII Polythene (ethylene polymer)	0	2210.00	708.00	225	2740.00	6620.00	
	43	1980.00	685.00	167	2580.00	7750.00	
	100	.....	839.00	.....	3820.00	.....
XVIII Chlorinated polythene (33% chlorine by weight)	0	.....	77.80	.....	276.00	.....
	100	.....	.....	.....	434.00	.....
XIX Chlorinated polythene (36.7% chlorine by weight)	0	.....	75.90	.....	228.00	.....
XX Chlorinated polythene (40.6% chlorine by weight)	0	.....	45.90	.....	127.00	.....
XXI Ethyl cellulose (48.3% ethoxyl) plasticized with 15% of butyl phthalyl butyl glycolate	0	.....	3470.00	.....	21,200.00	.....
	100	.....	.....	.....	22,500.00	.....

VIII, the films are 1000 to 100,000 times as permeable to the vapors (benzene and ethanol) as to the gases (CO₂ and H₂S). Inasmuch as the vapor molecules are at least as large as the gas molecules, the gas permeability should be a reasonable measure of the maximum hole con-

tent available for either vapor or gas transmission. Therefore, almost all of the vapor permeability must result from the action of the vapor on the polymer. That this action should involve polymer intermolecular bond breaking and vapor solution seems quite reasonable. It is

Table VIII.—Gas Versus Vapor Permeation

Film No. and type	Gas or Vapor	$P^* \times 10^{17}$ (at 25° C. for gases and 35° C. for vapors)	
XVII Polythene	Benzene		236.5
	CO ₂		0.274
XI Vinyl chloride/diethyl fumarate	Benzene		42.2
	CO ₂		0.017
I Regenerated cellulose; no plasticizer	Ethanol		3.83
	H ₂ S		0.00005

also quite significant that those gases which are most easily condensed (H₂S and CO₂) behave more nearly like vapors, with respect to permeation, than do the difficultly condensable gases, namely: H₂, O₂, and N₂.

It will be remembered that in the case of regenerated cellulose the addition of plasticizer or water appeared always to increase gas permeability. That water may have the same effect in non-cellulosic films may be seen from the data of Table VII. However, in the cases of some highly permeable films, water appears to block gas diffusion. Polythene, which absorbs small quantities of water at high relative humidities, becomes less permeable as some water is added and then more permeable as it becomes saturated. Vinyl butyral/vinyl alcohol copolymer when saturated with water is less permeable to carbon dioxide but more permeable to hydrogen sulfide than when dry. Perhaps in the case of carbon dioxide the blocking effect outweighs the moderate attraction of water for carbon dioxide, and in the case of hydrogen sulfide the higher attraction overcomes the blocking effect.

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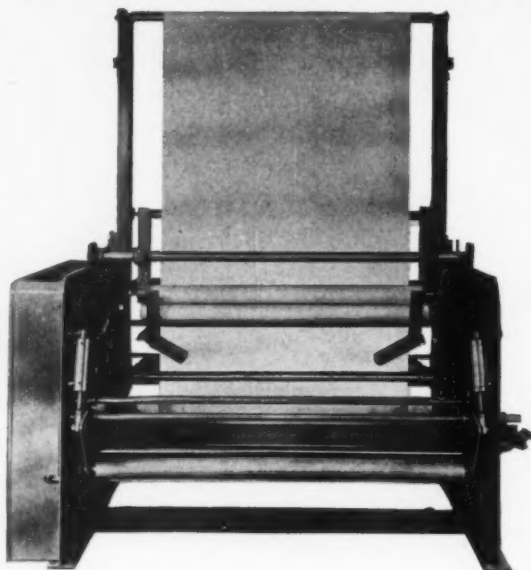
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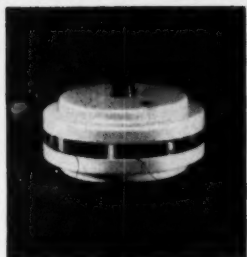
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—Dealing with the causes of line shock, commonly known as water hammer, this four-page folder discusses characteristics and detrimental effects of this undesirable condition and provides a formula for determining the magnitude of shock occurring under any situation. In addition, the bulletin explains the use of the company's accumulator as a means for suppressing line shock. Greer Hydraulics, Inc., 454 18th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Selling with scale models—Uses of plastic scale models in advertising and sales promotion are described in a four-page folder which suggests products such as kitchen equipment,

cars, and machinery that can be merchandised profitably. The complete services offered by the company, including design assistance, tooling, fabrication, packaging, and shipping of finished scale models, are presented. *Ideal Models Co., 17262 Moran Ave., Detroit, 12, Mich.*

Lumite woven fabrics—Designed primarily to supply technical information about Lumite products to manufacturers, this 22-page booklet, describes the various qualities and uses of Lumite insect screening, decorative and upholstery fabrics. *Lumite Div., Chicopee Mfg. Corp., 40 Worth St., New York 13, N. Y.*

Acrylic molding powders—This 16-page booklet gives the latest information on a new line of acrylic molding powders. Physical-property data and end-use information on three varieties of the material—Plexiglas VS, VM, and V—are covered in the text which also includes specific sections on weather resistance, dimensional stability, strength, electrical insulation, machinability, and chemical resistance. Photographs of consumer applications illustrate the materials' properties of clarity and brilliance. *Rohm & Haas Co., Washington Sq. Philadelphia 5, Pa.*

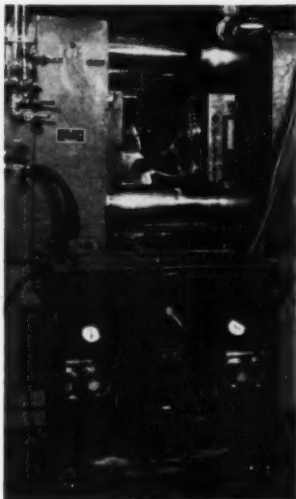
Synthetic resin report—Bulletin No. 44—Research data authored by the Scientific Intermediates Commission of I. G. Farbenindustrie, various hitherto unprocessed patent applications, and many manufacturing processes are listed in this 13-page compilation of German research and manufacturing processes in the field of synthetic resins and resin intermediates. Each of the 66 new reports listed, with the exception of the manufacturing directions, is summarized in an abstract and identified by title, author, PB number, and patent application number. *Research Information Service 509 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y.*

Plywood today—reprinted from the January issue of *American Builder*, this 30-page article is a re-appraisal of the material that rose from the role of a building specialty to a building commodity. Profusely illustrated and diagrammed sections deal with the individual applications

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Economic cycles—Examining the financing of the five great wars in which the United States has been involved, this 80-page report seeks to show what effects the monetization of government deficits has had on our economy.

Wholesale prices and inflation during each of the war periods are covered, along with the contributing causes to business failures and a general summary of trends in business failures. An accompanying chart presents the relationship between the trend of wholesale prices and business failures. *Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., 290 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y.*

Proportioning system—(Bull. No. 3849)—Reporting the company's new proportioning and blending system, heart of which is the Conveyorometer—a self-testing feeder-weigher for stream delivery of small, crushed, granular or non-flushing, ground materials—is this three-color, six-page bulletin. Used for proportioning any number of materials in a continuous process of mixing and blending, the unit is also suitable for delivering a prescribed tonnage of material by weight for

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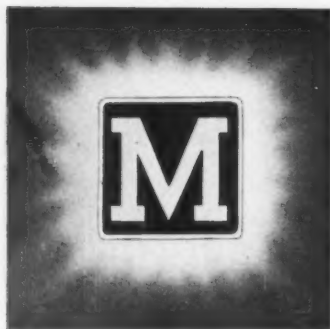
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recording the delivered weight. *Richardson Scale Co., Clifton, N. J.*

The technique of coloring styrene—Recent developments in the field have made simple techniques of coloring styrene available, and the advantages to the user of coloring his own styrene are set forth in this four-page folder. The types of colors supplied by this company are described in full with information as to the proper techniques for mixing and application on different grades of the material. Necessary equipment is also discussed. *Ferro Enamel Corp., 4150 E. 56th St., Cleveland 5, Ohio.*

Pulverizer—The latest in the company's line of pulverizers for the plastics industry, the Model B Pulva-Sizer, is described pictorially and graphically in a four-page folder. The unit is recommended for pulverizing a wide variety of materials used chiefly in the process industries, such as chemicals, pigments, dyestuffs, natural and synthetic resins, molding compounds, gums, and fillers, and is also adapted to the dispersion of pigments and dyes. Construction specifications of the machine are given. *Pulva Corp., 550 High St., Perth Amboy, N. J.*

Industrial control devices (Catalog 8303)—Several important additions to the firm's line are included in this 64-page catalog which presents over 100 different models of non-indicating electric, electronic, and pneumatic controllers that have innumerable uses in industrial applications. These new machines include electronic temperature controllers, pneumatic insertion-type temperature controllers, magnetic starters and contractors, heavy-duty pneumatic positioning motors, pneumatic automatic reset relays, and electric step controllers. *Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Industrial Div., Wayne and Windrim Aves., Philadelphia 44, Pa.*

Vacuum calculator—A handy desk-size slide-rule device has been developed to determine the needed pump capacity to evacuate a given volume to a specified vacuum in a given time; the time required to evacuate a given volume to a specified vacuum with existing vacuum pumps; vapor pressures of water at various temperatures; boil-

ing points of solvents under vacuum; and capacity of round tanks in both cubic feet per foot and gallons per foot. Copies of the rule are available at 50 cents from *F. J. Stokes Machine Co., 5900 Tabor Rd., Philadelphia 20, Pa.*

Chart for ram speeds and stroke times—Recognizing the fact that most rubber and plastic molding firms are keenly interested in increasing their ram speeds, this company has prepared a chart to be used in conjunction with its two-pressure valves. The chart gives ram speeds in inches per minute and stroke time in seconds at pressures of 100 p.s.i. to 1000 p.s.i. for ram diameters of 8 to 36 inches. *The Sinclair-Collins Valve Co., 454 Morgan Ave., Akron 11, Ohio.*

Plastics consultation—A discussion of the services available to molders, extruders, and fabricators of plastics abroad is contained in this 16-page brochure which illustrates some of the foreign factories that have been equipped by this organization. *Alfred A. Rosenthal, 3 Park Row, New York 7, N. Y.*

Electrical developments of 1949—The company's achievements last year in science, engineering, and manufacturing are recorded in a well-illustrated, 50-page booklet which, although outlining the electrical, mechanical, and chemical developments in one concern, nevertheless indicates trends and construction of the electrical industry as a whole. *General Electric Co., 1 River Rd., Schenectady, N. Y.*

Drill and tap chucks—Designed for driving straight shank drills, reamers, and similar tools, the company's line of drill chucks is described and illustrated in this eight-page bulletin, which also covers two types of tap chucks and center-drill drivers. *Scully-Jones & Co., 1982 S. Rockwell St., Chicago 8, Ill.*

Stock molds—Specialist in custom molded items, this company has itemized its line of stock molds of radio, instrument, and control knobs in a 14-page booklet. Specifications for each size of the various types of knobs are tabulated, along with drawings of each piece. *Kurz-Kasch, Inc., 1421 S. Broadway, Dayton, O.*

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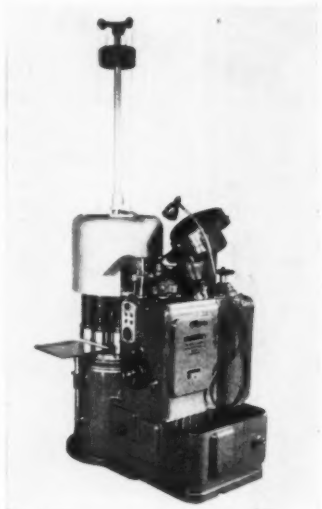
Standard or heavy-duty models of the equipment come in four feed types: drill; drill with dwell; drill, chip clean, and dwell; and drill and tap. On a drill press equipped with the drilling-tapping feed model, drilling operations can be changed over to tapping by simply removing the drill and placing the tap directly in the drill chuck or multiple-spindle drill head.

ROTARY PRESS AND PREFORMER—Two pieces of equipment for use in the manufacture of parts having internal or external screw threads and made of thermosetting synthetic resins are currently being distributed in this country by Moldcraft, Inc., 1505 W. 41st St., Baltimore 11, Md. Developed by Tavannes Machines Co. S.A. of Tavannes, Switzerland, the two units are an automatic 5-ton molding press and an automatic tabletting machine.

The molding press, which is designed for production of tubes, pots, control knobs for electrical equipment, and closure caps for bottles, was developed as a universal, low-die-cost unit, which will mold threaded parts up to 3 in. in diameter, knock out pieces up to a height of 1½ in., and both unscrew and knock out simultaneously. For pro-

duction of parts with screw threads, capacity ranges from 900 to 2700 parts per hour, while special models for handling pieces without screw threads have an hourly output of from 225 to 900 parts.

The operating principle of the press is based on 10 hydraulic cylinders, working independently of one another, arranged around the circumference of a drum with a vertical axis. Each cylinder holds a die



with a counter plunger. A driving mechanism gives the drum an intermittent anti-clockwise rotary movement. Pressure on the ram is adjustable up to 5 tons. Working cycle is from 4 to 16 seconds.

The molding press is fed by round preforms which are made by a separate tabletting machine. This unit has a maximum pressure of 10 tons, and three adjustable speeds: 18, 27, and 40 strokes per minute. Features of the equipment include: a new type agitator; accurate production up to 9600 tablets per hour; a spe-

cial device permitting air to escape when compressing fine powders; and a safety accessory to avoid overloading. On request, dies are equipped with an electric heating element which slightly hardens the surface of the tablet, thus preventing breakage and formation of dust when handling tablets.

AUTOMATIC CYCLE CONTROLLER—Insurance of uniform molding cycles is the major objective of the Time-master, an automatic cycle controller manufactured by T. H. & J. Daniels, Ltd., Stroud, Glos., England. When the process timer is set, the press will perform identical cycles, including pauses, over a period adjustable from 0 to 10 minutes. The unit will control an ejector or a transfer cylinder as well as the main cylinder. During operation, the press control valves are operated automatically by air cylinders governed by four valves. The instrument consists of a circular case containing a cure cycle control clock and a camshaft driven by a motor.

CONTINUOUS-FLOW PREHEATER—Preheating of thermoplastic or thermosetting resins at an even temperature regardless of the preform's shape is achieved on the Cavitron Cavity Resonator, a continuous-flow preheater designed and made by Short Wave Plastic Forming Co., 2921 W. Alameda Ave., Burbank, Calif. Plastic preforms first pass through an electro-static field on a conveyor belt and, after being brought to a given temperature by the equal distribution of radio-frequency throughout the mass, they are directed to the molding press without the necessity of handling before molding. The unit accepts any standard plastic blank up to 42 in. wide, and any length of roll stock up to the same width.

AIR-LINE FILTER—To supply the filtered air required for efficient operation of air-powered tools, Keller Tool Co., 4700 Hall St., Grand Haven, Mich., has developed a new air-line filter. The filter element, of porous sintered bronze, filters out all particles of dust down to 0.001 inch. A series of baffles in the bottom of the unit traps condensation and moisture in a sump from which the accumulated waste can be

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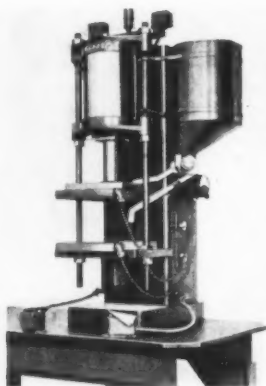
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quickly removed through a drain cock. The filter has a rated capacity of 40 cu. ft./min. and a pressure drop of 1 lb./sq. inch.

SPRAY GUN—Two new construction features have been incorporated in a recently developed paint spray gun produced by Eclipse Air Brush Co., 390 Park Ave., Newark 7, N. Y. Named the Gat-2, the new gun has a four-finger trigger said to permit an operator to use the equipment for long periods without developing finger fatigue.

Another feature is the "47" controllable nozzle which operates on the Eclipse low pressure principle, and is claimed to be particularly effective in reducing fumes, minimizing air consumption, and saving paint. Among the advantages stressed for the device is accuracy in control whereby a spray pattern may be produced varying from the size of a half-dollar to a swath more than 12 in. wide.

ALKYD MOLDING PRESSES—A special line of molding presses designed to handle alkyd resins has been introduced by Elmes Engineering Div., American Steel Foundries, 1150 Tennessee Ave., Cincinnati 29, Ohio. The miniature automatic

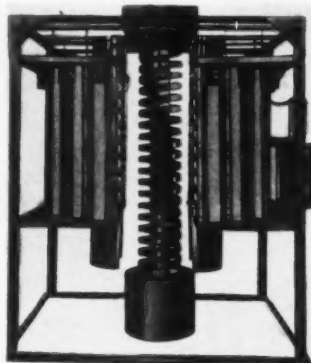


presses, trade-named Minimatic, have five cylinder capacities; 3- and 6-ton for air application, and 1.3-, 1.2-, and 2-4-ton for hydraulic service. All cylinders are interchangeable in the basic frame. Controls for automatic or semi-automatic operations are provided.

Press operation is controlled by a

single operating valve. In the air cylinders, operation is double acting. However, by use of a three-way operating valve with hydraulic cylinders, constant air pressure returns the cylinder upward, resulting in considerable power saving.

SPIRAL POWDER HEATER—Vertical elevation of plastic powders, which are being preheated prior to injection or extrusion molding, is the



fundamental advantage of the Spira-Veyor, a new infra-red appliance introduced by The Miskella Infra-Red Co., E. 73rd and Grand Ave., Cleveland 4, Ohio. Capable of heating materials in a thin, free-flowing web at any setting desired from room temperature to 400° F., the new unit features a spiral, vibrating ramp whose mean travel distance from inlet to outlet is 8 feet.

An important part of the equipment is an intermittent timer which delays delivery of materials in process in order to drive out more moisture and to cut down the electrical load required to perform a given heating operation. All metals of the spiral—which pulsates at 3600 vibrations per minute—are completely exposed to the heat which tends to increase heating efficiency. The Spira-Veyor comes equipped with a portable hopper-feeder large enough to handle a full-size drum of plastic powder.

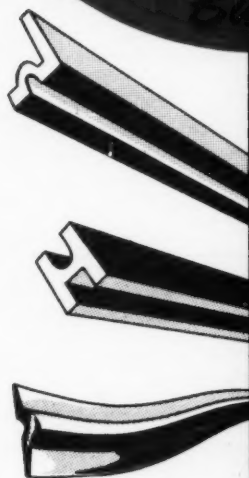
ROUND PUNCHES—Supplementing an established selection of round tool steel punches is a complete new line of standardized, interchangeable round punches made of high-

speed steel which has been introduced by Richard Bros. Div., Allied Products Corp., 1560 E. Milwaukee Ave., Detroit 11, Mich. The punches incorporate the firm's interchangeable feature in which a ball-bearing lock in the retainer engages in a ball seat on the punch shank, providing secure positioning both radially and vertically.

TUMBLE-MIXER—Adjustable turntable clamps are a feature of the new portable Universal Tumbler-Mixer which makes the device adaptable to handling many standard and odd-shaped containers. Developed by Rampe Mfg. Co., 3029 Prospect Ave., Cleveland 15, Ohio, the machine will tumble or mix any material. It tilts through a full 90° arc so that work can be performed at the best angle. The unit, which can be quickly moved from one job to another, is said to be particularly adaptable to adding colors to plastic granules.

STATIC CONTROL—Control of fire and explosion hazards caused by static electricity is said to be effectively accomplished by the Takk Static Control, a new piece of equipment introduced by The John Hewson Co., 106 Water St., New York 5, N. Y. Of particular value to plastic-coating operations involving highly volatile solvents, as well as many other plant applications, the equipment is being concentrated in areas where vapors of isopropyl acetate, acetone, methyl ethyl ketone, or toluol are present, and has been tested in connection with other explosives.

PULVERIZER—An impact- or swing hammer-type pulverizer for various grinding and blending applications in the plastics industry has been introduced by Pulva Corp., 550 High St., Perth Amboy, N. J. Known as the Model B Pulva-Sizer, the new unit features a twin-screw arrangement for feeding unground material directly to the face of the hammers. Feed screws are available in three diameters to handle a wide range of material from free-flowing powders up to pieces about 3 in. in size. The unit is said to be particularly well suited for either fine grinding of resins or granulating molding compounds.



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Materials	Total prod'n. first 3 mos. 1950	Total sales first 3 mos. 1950
CELLULOSE PLASTIC^a		
Cellulose acetate and mixed ester plastics:		
Sheets, continuous:		
Under 0.003 gage	2,629,245	2,510,690
0.003 gage and over	1,979,408	1,971,243
All other sheets, rods, and tubes	1,087,461	804,835
Molding and extrusion materials	17,191,329	16,336,911
Nitrocellulose		
Sheets	1,406,965	1,419,531
Rods and tubes	534,923	269,287
Other cellulose plastics ^b	3,190,257	3,217,825
PHENOLIC AND OTHER TAR		
ACID RESINS:		
Laminating	14,416,222	9,362,930
Adhesives	7,295,935	6,716,265
Molding materials ^a	52,408,467	42,248,525
Protective coatings (containing less than 10% modifier)	4,687,594	3,682,931
Miscellaneous uses, including casting	13,534,111	13,786,599
UREA AND MELAMINE RESINS:		
Adhesives	16,309,147	14,841,068
Textile- and paper-treating resins	7,366,049	5,939,163
Protective coatings, modified and unmodified	6,258,294	5,612,331
Miscellaneous uses, including laminating and molding ^c	14,457,386	13,380,458
STYRENE AND STYRENE DERIVATIVE POLYMER AND COPOLYMER RESINS:		
Molding materials ^a	55,876,952	59,359,117
Miscellaneous uses ^d	11,727,766	10,398,550
VINYL RESINS:		
Sheeting and film, including safety-glass sheeting ^a	54,915,627	48,008,941
Adhesive (resin content)	3,909,330	3,609,314
Textile- and paper-treating resins, including spreader and calendaring types (resin content) ^a	10,564,818	9,922,548
Molding material (resin content)	26,972,529	25,564,542
Miscellaneous uses (resin content) ^a	5,808,644	3,437,198
MISCELLANEOUS SYNTHETIC PLASTICS AND RESIN MATERIALS:		
Molding materials ^{a, f}	13,173,390	12,331,804
Protective coatings ^g	16,479,049	16,302,502
All other uses ^h	48,691,693	47,606,274

^a Includes fillers, plasticizers, and extenders. ^b Includes sheets, rods, and tubes, and molding and extrusion materials. ^c Data on resins for laminating and miscellaneous uses are on a dry basis; data on molding materials are on the basis of total weight. ^d Excludes data on protective coating resins; these data are included with miscellaneous coating resins to avoid disclosure of

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of the same company, and for sale. Sales include only the quantities involved in bona fide sales in which title passes to the purchaser.

February 1950		March 1950	
Production	Sales	Production	Sales
921,480	812,274	847,765	860,152
617,531	622,349	693,045	690,921
335,934	297,190	342,512	284,299
5,398,826	5,237,721	6,405,349	6,001,122
444,539	462,576	518,160	504,321
101,673	83,223	131,611	80,625
1,167,958	1,087,625	1,197,704	1,188,319
4,627,628	3,137,039	5,140,560	3,377,536
2,149,556 ¹	1,943,106 ¹	3,305,351	3,046,118
16,363,841	13,169,532	19,144,704	15,167,062
1,534,613	1,204,082	1,668,694	1,303,230
4,312,065	4,575,874	5,267,418	5,152,347
5,462,398 ¹	5,296,270 ¹	5,983,488	4,869,119
2,270,187	1,927,692	1,917,606	1,348,180
1,916,516 ¹	1,673,310 ¹	2,438,255	2,338,790
4,789,021	4,176,715	4,665,066	4,909,065
16,397,808	19,193,614	22,724,146	22,627,472
3,943,762	3,485,231	4,307,452	3,918,034
17,771,973	16,882,159	20,676,388	18,796,147
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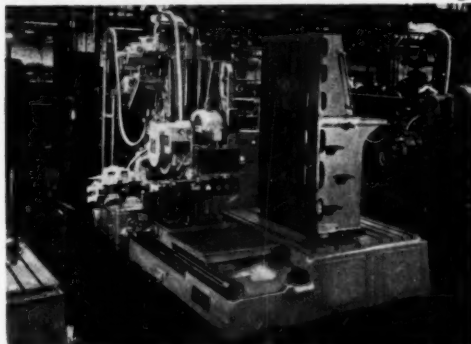
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COMPETITION between natural rubber and p.v.c. is increasing and it is becoming evident that if rubber prices drop a fraction from the present level of 1/8d to something approaching 1/6½d, the present price for British p.v.c. polymer, the plastics industry will have to face quite formidable competition.

Molded souvenirs.—The molding section of the plastics industry is becoming souvenir conscious as it realizes the extent of the business to be obtained in molding the many millions of plastics souvenirs to be sold in the 1951 Festival Exhibition

*Reg. U. S. Pat. Office.

on the South Bank of the Thames. It is expected that most of the badge types of souvenirs will be either styrene or cellulose acetate.

TV tube guard.—An interesting development in television is the production of implosion guards made of neutral tint Perspex acrylic sheet. Not only do these act as efficient guards, but the neutral tint increases contrast, prevents glare, and makes daylight viewing as efficient as viewing in the dark.

Molding equipment.—British Industrial Plastics Ltd., Britain's leading producer of urea and melamine molding powders, has fathered a new concern, B.I.P. Engineering

Ltd., to manufacture molding presses and other equipment for the plastics industry. One of the first production presses, a new-type down-stroking oil hydraulic press for compression and transfer molding, was shown at the British Industries Fair.

Polytetrafluoroethylene.—British Ministry of Supply has stated that the home production of polytetrafluoroethylene is at present insufficient to meet the industry's requirements and that the export of this metal will not be permitted until the manufacture is stepped up considerably. It is likely that American polytetrafluoroethylene will be imported to meet the shortage.

Extruded bottles.—Squeezable polyethylene bottles made by Cascelloid Ltd., Leicester, under the Plax patents are meeting growing competition from similar types of bottles made by modified extrusion molding techniques. At least two manufacturers have made notable progress in modifying existing extruders so as to produce good qual-

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Multi-color extrusions—A good demand is being built up in Britain for multi-colored p.v.c. strips and sheets which can be manufactured up to 54 in. wide. The number of colors depends on the number of machines teamed up to operate through a single crosshead. These novelties are also proving attractive to continental buyers who are also interested in the extruders used for producing them.

Insulators—More and more farmers are using polyethylene insulators for electric cattle fences. These are extremely tough, unequalled as insulators, and possess excellent weathering characteristics when they contain carbon black. These polyethylene insulators are injection molded.

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France

Etablissements Drouet, Paris, has entered into a technical aid agreement with Panelyte Div., St. Regis Paper Co., New York, N. Y. Under

the terms of the agreement, Drouet is entitled to Panelyte production and sales rights in France and to the use of Panelyte patents, machine designs, and formulas used in making high pressure laminates.

The agreement is similar to previous arrangements between Panelyte and Ashdowns, Ltd., England, and Skanska Attfabriken, AB, Sweden. By producing the laminate themselves, the three European companies can make Panelyte available to their customers at a lower price than would be necessary if the material were shipped from Panelyte's plants in the United States.

Australia

Extruded cellulose acetate butyrate piping is being widely used in Australia in place of galvanized iron pipe in domestic and industrial water systems. The Tenite II pipe is extruded by Parfrey Plastics Pty. Ltd., East Melbourne, Victoria.

The butyrate pipe was developed partly because of shortages of other materials and partly because the waters in Australia, particularly those used for irrigation and for

watering livestock, are highly mineralized and have a corrosive effect on iron pipe.

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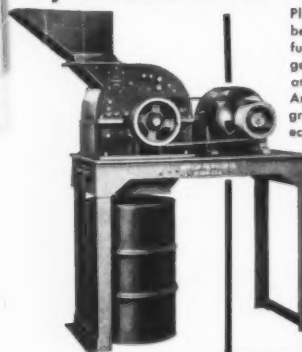
Special equipment has been developed to coil $\frac{3}{4}$ - and 1-in. O.D. piping with 0.080 wall thicknesses in lengths up to 400 ft. for ease of transportation and to reduce the number of joints made in the field on long runs.

Indonesia

The first plastics plant in Indonesia has been opened by Indonesian Polymer Products. The factory, which is located in Bandung, was built and is operated under the direction of Dr. J. C. L. Schlimme, a former member of the Plastic Institute T.N.O. of Delft, Holland. At present the company is making insulating materials for the electrical industry, and plastics products for paper factories, textiles works, and infirmaries.

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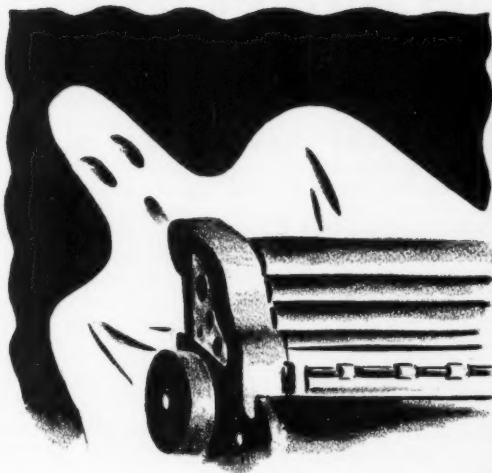
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The TV set's housing, 10 by 6 by 7 in., is molded in one piece of red styrene. The housing weighs 14 oz. and is run on a 16-oz. machine. Added strength and rigidity are provided by vertical ribs. Also of styrene is a one-piece bezel and screen window which is molded of clear transparent material. A solvent-cutting agent is sprayed on the back of this window, etching it and giving the screen the necessary translucent surface for projection. These styrene parts, the black acetate "funnel" into which the film strip is fed, the acetate support for the mirrors of the projection system, and the acetate lens barrel are made by Industrial Plastics Co., Chicago, Ill.

Supporting the working mechanism is a shelf molded of general-purpose phenolic by Albert Zollinger, Inc., Downers Grove, Ill. Zollinger also produces the phenolic film-actuating cam.

Other plastics elements include a white urea knob on the switch. Terminals which eliminate the necessity of soldering the wires, are fabricated by Aircraft-Marine Products, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa., using polyvinyl chloride tubing supplied by Irvington Varnish & Insulator Co., Irvington, N. J.

Molded styrene cabinet of junior-sized set is styled functionally



Bottom view of cabinet shows the phenolic mechanism support. In front, left to right, are styrene window and bezel, support, acetate part holding mirrors



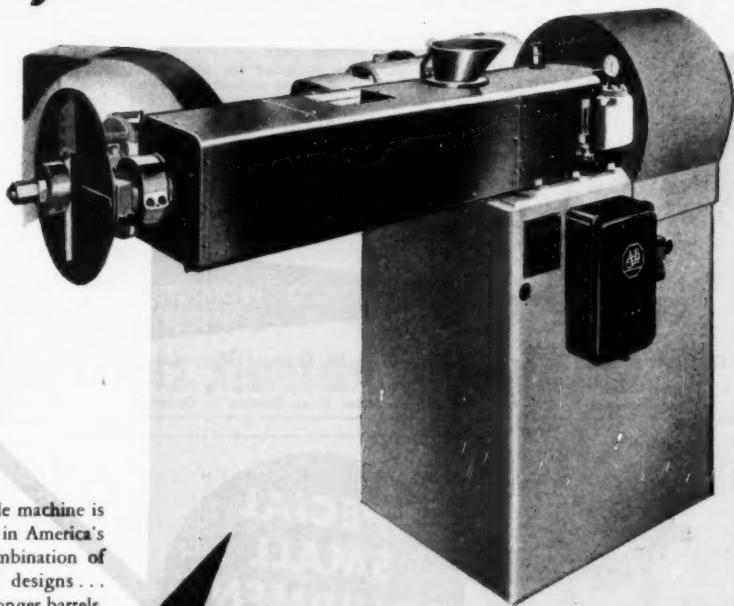
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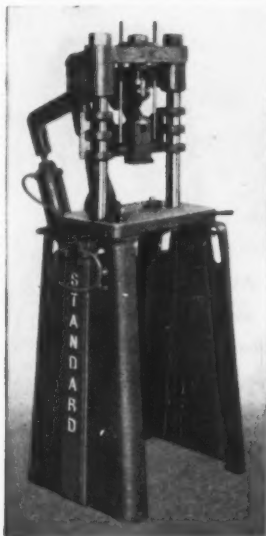
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The Humpty Dumpty toy has a two-part housing molded of Lustrex styrene. When a small handle is cranked, the toy recites the full verse about the "great fall." Verse is recorded on a tiny record pressed from cellulose acetate sheet stock. The toy is made by Alladin Plastics, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif.

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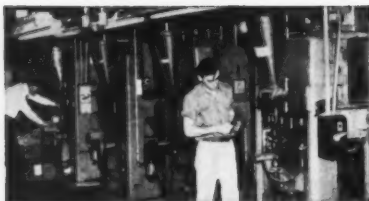
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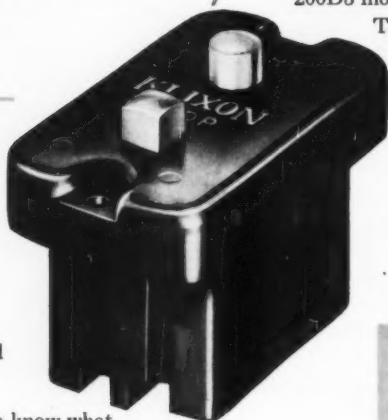
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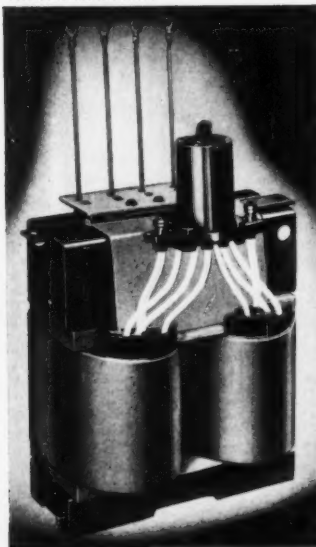
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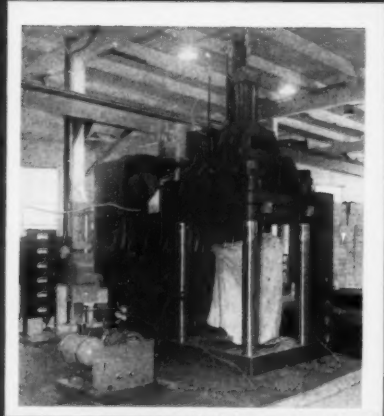


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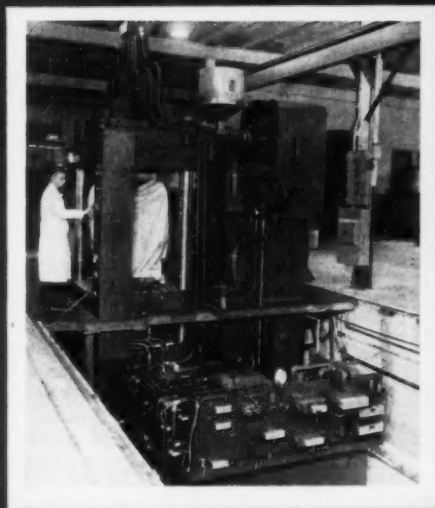


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In Injection Chamber	10,000 p.s.i. Maximum
Diameter of Plunger	3 1/2" Diameter
Diameter of Screw	3 1/2" Diameter
Speed of Screw	25 to 300 r.p.m.
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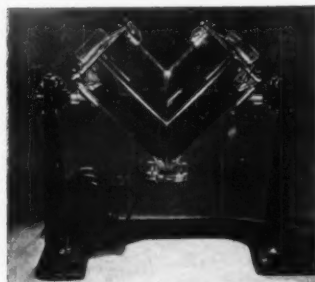
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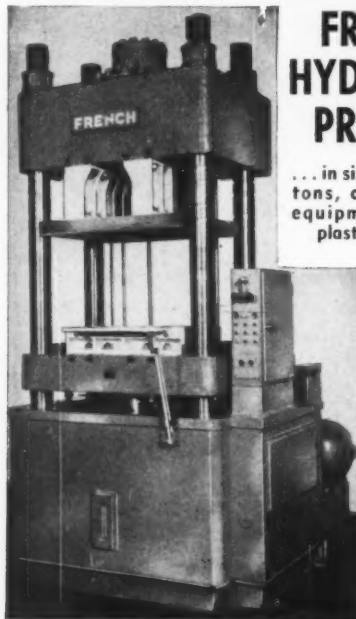
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SPECIFICATIONS

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Number of Screws	2
Diameter of Screws	3.15"—3.54"
Motor	
horsepower	5
speeds	3-speeds (6, 9, 12 rpm)
Shipping Weight (approx.)	2185 lb.
Floor Space	
extruder	2'6" x 3'6"
control panel	2'3" x 2'3"
Hopper Feed.....	Fully automatic, rotating type . . . geared to screw speeds
Lubrication	Forced-fed to all gears and bearings
Foundations	None required

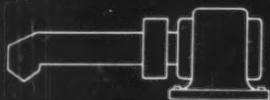
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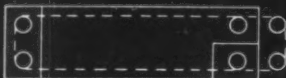


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Because a wheel chair serves people who are physically handicapped in one way or another, it is important that such aids offer the patient complete comfort. By using Tenite II butyrate covering on side arm rests made of aluminum tubing, Versal has provided a material which is pleasant to the touch as well as attractive in appearance. A particularly striking lustrous effect is achieved by the transparent coating which permits the sheen of the metal to show through.

To match the arm rests, the hand rims on each wheel have also been

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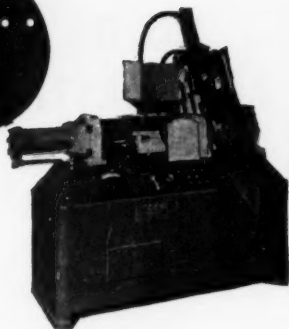
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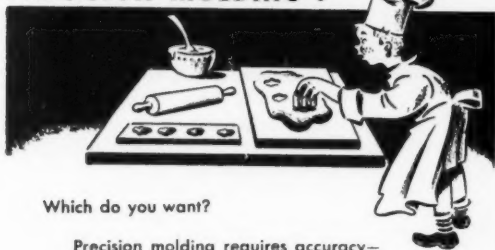
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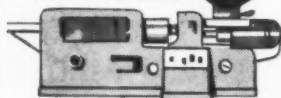
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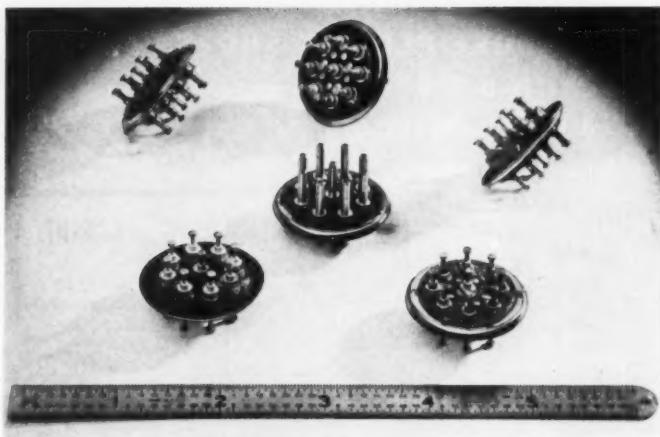


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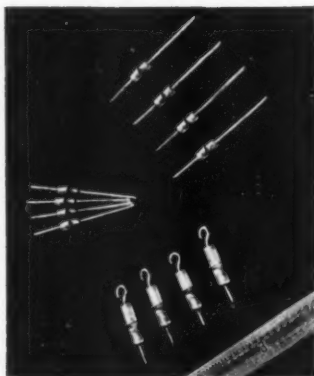
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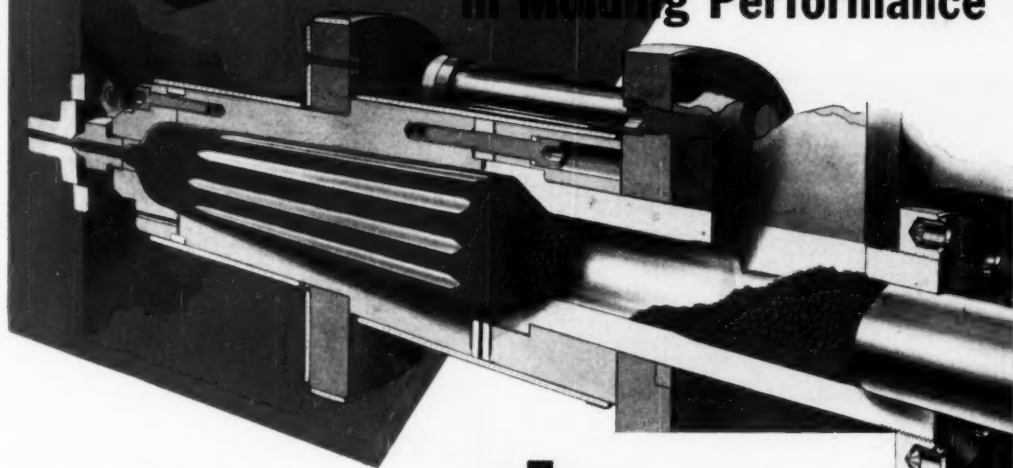


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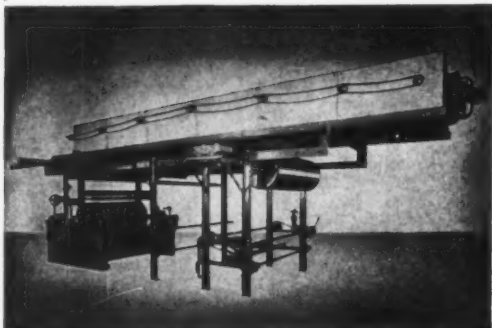
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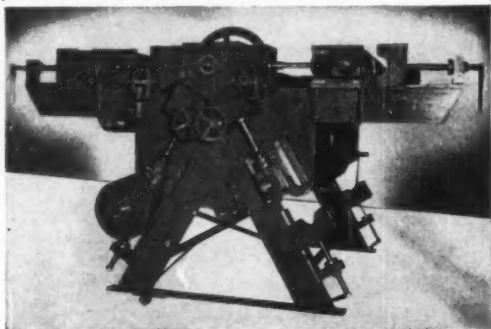
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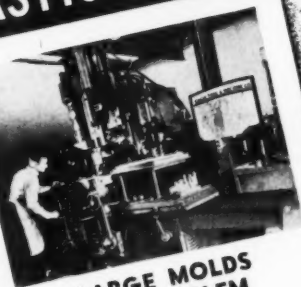
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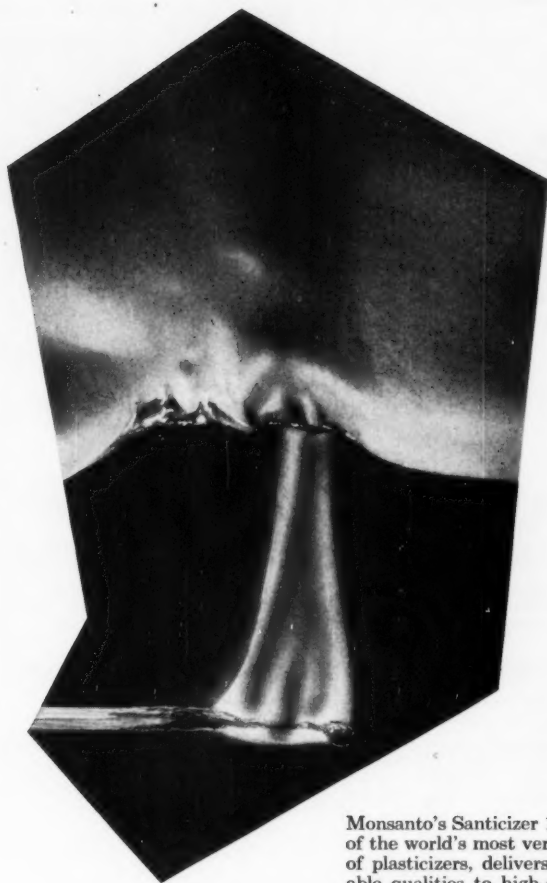
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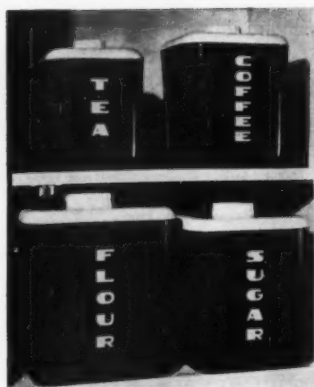
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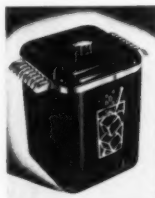
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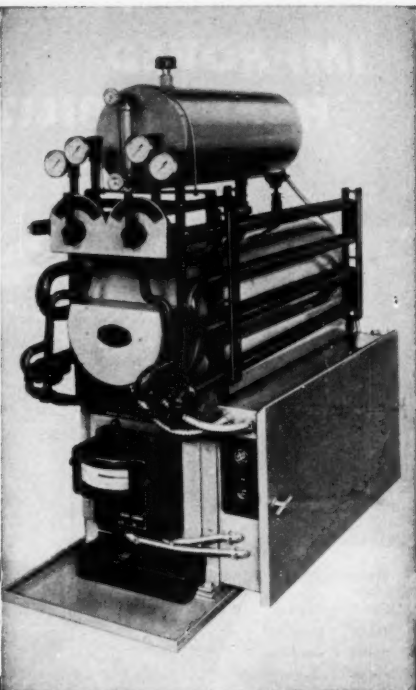
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Phenolic-Sand Molds

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age rule" must be developed since different sections of the cast pattern may shrink by different amounts.

Monsanto states that some work has been done with patterns which are self-heated by means of electrical heating elements buried directly in the pattern body. The temperatures of such patterns are thermostatically controlled. All patterns must be lubricated; according to Monsanto, silicone grease DC-7 dissolved in methyl ethyl ketone to a solids content of approximately 14% has been satisfactory. This lubricant may be wiped or sprayed on the pattern when either hot or cold.

Work has been done on two types of sand-resin mixes; one makes use of a dry resin and the second a combination of liquid and dry resin. The all-dry resin appears to have the advantage of longer life of mix stability, while the dry-liquid mix appears to do a satisfactory job with a lower resin content. At the present, it appears that no more than 2 hr. should elapse between the time of preparing the dry-liquid mix and the time of use.

The mixing operation when dry resin is used does not appear to offer any difficulties. Standard mixing equipment will do a satisfactory job in from 3 to 5 minutes. In the case of the dry-liquid mix, however, it is recommended that a vaned tumble mixer be used and that the liquid component of the combination be mixed with the sand for from 3 to 5 min.; the dry resin is then added and the tumbling continued for an additional 5 to 6 minutes. In the case of the dry-liquid mix, a total resin content of 6% is recommended, 10% maximum of which should be liquid resin and 90% dry.

If the metal pattern is self-heated by electrical means, the thermostat should be set between 400 to 500° F. according to the type of resin used. If an oven is used it should be heated to approximately the same temperature, but the oven should be so located that a minimum of time will elapse between removal of the pattern from the oven and the application of the resin-sand mixture. Most work has been done

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with the invertible mold box mentioned previously.

Continuous Flow of Mix

A different method of applying the resin-sand mix to the pattern appears to offer great possibilities. By this method, a continuous flow of resin-sand mix would be uniformly and continuously fed to the heated pattern until the required thickness had been built up. There are still mechanical problems to be solved for such a set-up, but it appears to offer great possibilities for a foundry producing many pieces.

Monsanto recommends that mold thicknesses be no less than $\frac{1}{4}$ in. and no greater than $\frac{3}{8}$ inch. Company experience to date indicates that molds thinner than $\frac{1}{4}$ in. will not produce accurate castings. Such thicknesses will be built up on the hot pattern in from 6 to 15 seconds. If the metal patterns are self-heated, the molds may be cured without the use of an oven, simply by permitting the mold to remain on the hot pattern for a sufficient length of time to effect a complete cure. This method of cure, however, requires a

longer time than oven curing because heat is applied to the mold from one side only.

Experimental work on mold cure has been done by Monsanto, in which the uncured mold is stripped from the pattern and placed in an oven. This method of operation would speed up mold production and reduce the number of patterns required for large scale production. However, the problem of warpage has been encountered, and until this difficulty is overcome, stripped-mold curing is not recommended. In any case, the time for oven cure is from 3 to 4 min. with an oven temperature of 600° F.

The methods for clamping the mold halves and pouring the metal are similar to the ones previously discussed, although Monsanto indicates that some other more satisfactory methods may soon be developed. The company does not believe that the sand used for the molds can be reclaimed without very expensive reclaiming equipment. And it also foresees that special resins must be developed to produce molds for different metals.—END

Fatigue

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220° F. This condition was selected because it provides the most reproducible results.

Specimens for the fatigue tests were prepared as follows: Commercial size sheets (36 by 36 by $\frac{1}{16}$ in.) were prepared in regular production equipment. The sheets were cut into 6- by 6-in. specimens; specimens selected at random were tested.

The fatigue tests were conducted by the following procedure: The specimens to be tested were dried in

Table III.—Effect of Conditioning Treatments on Dielectric Strength (Short Time) of Grade XX Laminate*

Conditioning treatment	Dielectric strength (short time)
	v./mil
1 hr. at 220° F.	690
96 hr., 90% R.H., 95° F.	240
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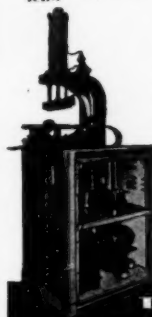
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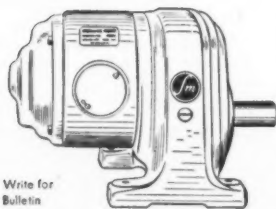
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an oven at 220° F. for 1 hr. and then cooled in a desiccator to 73° F. The first three specimens of each grade were tested in oil by the short-time method in accordance with A.S.T.M. Of the remaining samples, the specimen to be tested was removed from the conditioning chamber, placed between electrodes of the testing equipment and immersed in the oil bath. Voltage was applied at the rate of 10 kv. per sec. until the desired voltage was attained. In general, an effort was made to test at 85, 70, 60, 55, 50, and 45% of the short-time value. This voltage was maintained until rupture occurred. Voltage applied and time for failure to occur were recorded.

The fatigue data are presented in Table IV and Figs. 2 through 6. The dielectric strength of each material showed a rapid decrease with time until the voltage was reduced to approximately 60% of the short-time value. At this point, the dielectric strength tends to approach a value below which failure does not

Table IV.—Short-Time Dielectric and Fatigue Strengths of Laminates at 73° F.

Grade, thickness (in.), condition*	Short-time dielectric strength	Dielectric fatigue strength
	v./mil	v./mil
Part A		
XX, 1/32, dry	940	515
XX, 1/16, dry	695	390
XX, 1/8, dry	515	290
Part B		
XX, 1/16, dry	695	390
XX, 1/16, C-96-90-95	240	150
XX, 1/16, D-48-122	112	55
Part C		
XXXXP, 1/16, dry	780	500
XXXXP, 1/16, C-96-90-95	700	400
XXXXP, 1/16, D-48-122	680	375
Part D		
X, 1/16, dry	649	320
XX, 1/16, dry	695	390
XXXXP, 1/16, dry	780	500
LE, 1/16, dry	434	320
A, 1/16, dry	155	130
G-5, 1/16, dry	450	310
NN, 1/16, dry	394	305

* Code for conditioning treatments: Dry—1 hr. at 220° F.; C-96-90-95—96 hr. at 95% relative humidity and 95° F.; D-48-122—48 hr. in water at 122° F.

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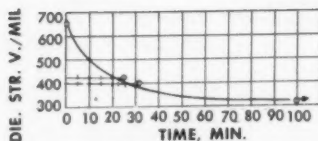
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occur for at least 100 minutes. A duration of 100 min. was considered to be an indefinite time period, because in five separate cases the samples which resisted breakdown for 100 min. continued to resist rupture for 6 to 8 hr. without failure.

Table IV gives a comparison between the standard short-time dielectric strengths and dielectric fatigue strengths. Parts A and B show that short-time dielectric strength and dielectric fatigue strength are affected by thickness of sample and by atmospheric conditions surrounding the specimen prior to test. This is shown graphically in Fig. 2 and 3. Parts B and C indicate that atmospheric conditions do not have the same degree of effect on dielectric breakdowns for different grades of laminates. Grade XXXP is affected less than grade XX; this is probably due to the fact that grade XXXP has greater water resistance than grade XX (see Fig. 3 and 4). In Part D is shown the short-time dielectric strength and dielectric fatigue strength of 7 commercial grades of laminates for a given thickness and



6—Effect of intermittent stressing on dielectric fatigue strength of 1/16-in. thick grade X laminate which has been tested dry at 73° F.

conditioning. (Data shown in Fig. 5).

For dry specimens the dielectric fatigue strengths of seven standard grades of laminates vary from 49 to 84% of the corresponding short-time dielectric strengths. Under these conditions a safety factor of three, based on the short-time test, should be ample. For the two grades exposed to 90% relative humidity at 95° F. the dielectric fatigue strengths vary from 57 to 62% of the corresponding short-time dielectric strengths. Here again a safety factor of three should be satisfactory. In actual practice, however, the designer may occasionally expect to use equipment under highly humid conditions, and the published data on the laminates may be limited to

short-time dielectric strengths for dry conditions. In this case a safety factor of six, recommended by N.E.M.A.⁵, may be necessary.

Figure 6 indicates that the gradual destruction of a laminate at excessive voltages is accumulative. A dielectric stress of 425 v./mil was applied for 5 minutes. This test was repeated once every 24 hr., thus relieving the sample between stresses. Breakdown occurred after five 5-min. periods of stress which is approximately the total time required to rupture the sample with continuous stress. The experiment was repeated at 400 v./mil with similar results.

Conclusion

In selecting the proper grade and thickness of a thermosetting plastic laminate to be used as a dielectric medium, it is important to know the dielectric fatigue strength of the available grades for the atmospheric conditions involved.

The experimental work described above was done at the Research Laboratory of Synthane Corp., Oaks, Pa.—END

⁵ Paragraph LP2-64 of reference in footnote 4.

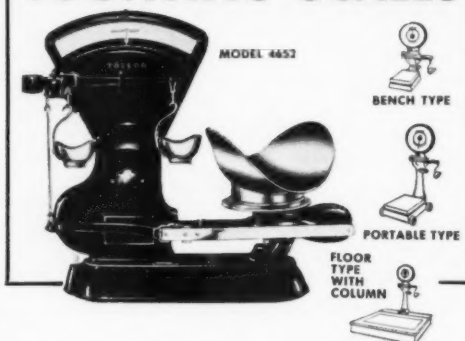
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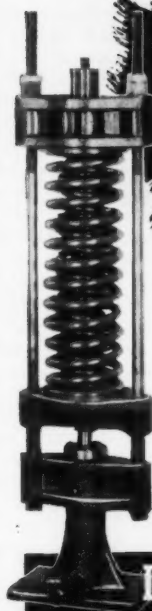
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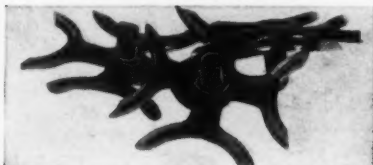
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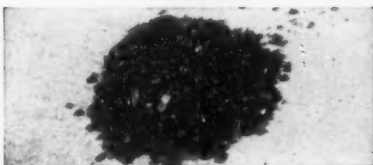
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Plastisol for Casting Film

LAST November, MODERN PLASTICS printed an article on vinyl spread coating in which it was broadly hinted that the day might not be far off when cast film made from vinyl plastisols would be common rather than occasional practice. Today there is growing evidence that this development is broadening in several ways. One experimenter states that the future for this process looks good not only in 2-mil film and under, but also reports that 20-gage sheet made from cast plastisol is right now in successful production on a small scale. The latter is especially significant since it indicates that plastisols are not limited to casting thin gage film, in contrast to other types of vinyl-casting compounds which are generally used only on light weight jobs.

Our informant tells us that although steel belts have generally been used for plastisol casting on the limited amount of work that has been done so far, he has found that the job can be done quite successfully on paper with a reverse-roll coater. Steel belts present problems of high initial cost and the difficulty of matching the steel belt to the coating head. Another advantage in the use of paper is that a printed sheet with transfer ink can be used so that the design will be transferred to the film from the belt. Thus a continuous operation of casting a finished printed film becomes possible. It is also believed that plastisols can be cast on a pre-embossed paper and the design transferred to the plastic.

One type of paper employed can be used twice on each side. Another type with melamine finish gives a higher gloss and can be used 12 times, according to our informant. Cost of paper used for this process is about 1¢ a sq. yd. of film pro-

duced when the paper is reused. An even better printed surface can be obtained, it is claimed, by using an aluminum foil-paper laminated belt which will bring out color tones of the finest detail and brilliance.

Developers of this plastisol casting method assert that cast and printed vinyl film can be run through processing machinery of this type as fast as 400 ft. a min. if sufficient heating and cooling equipment is provided. Cooling equipment is particularly important at such high rates of speed. Apparatus for handling the complete operation can be set up at a cost of from \$35,000 to \$50,000.

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The history of metallic colors in plastics products indicates the potential advantages of this newest material for use by polyethylene molders. Some two years ago metallic colors were introduced for use with vinyl film; then came the in-

corporation of metallics in styrene molding material. In both cases, the markets for products with a metal-like finish broadened rapidly.

The news that metallics are now available in polyethylene marks a significant step forward in the use of metallic colorants for plastics because color in polyethylene has heretofore been largely confined to pastels. The brilliant colors available in most other thermoplastics have not been obtainable in polyethylene; thus, the introduction of metallics should have a marked influence on the consumer market.

Gering is now offering this metallic-colored polyethylene molding material in eight different shades at prices of from 55¢ a lb. in 30,000-lb. lots to 66¢ in 200-lb. lots. If the customer prefers to buy his own natural-color polyethylene and have it shipped to Gering for metallic coloring, the price is from 10 to 21¢ a lb. in quantities varying from 30,000 to 200 pounds.

Unlike other colorants which may be purchased separately if the molder wishes to do his own coloring, metallic colorants are not furnished to molders for use in coloring their own material. The metallic powder used for coloring is said to be difficult to handle and requires special storage facilities not generally available in molding plants; but once it has been incorporated in the polyethylene, it is perfectly stable.

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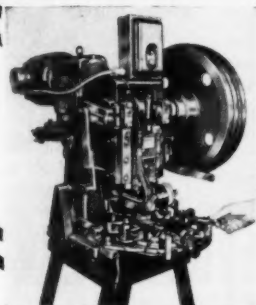
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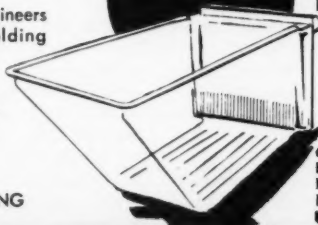
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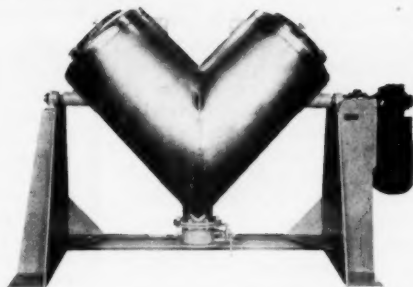


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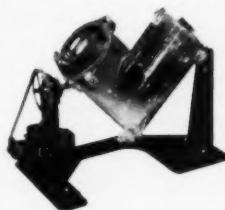
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cessing-aid resins, according to the company. Its use is also said to permit lowering Banbury and calender temperatures 10 to 15° below previous practice.

Ion Exchange Bed

THE use of a special dyed mixture of Amberlite ion-exchange resins which changes color as the bed becomes exhausted is reported as a new concept in deionization developed by the Resinous Products Div., Rohm & Haas Co., Philadelphia, Pa. Called the Monobed technique, it provides complete deionization, yielding a product with a mineral content of less than one part per million from ordinary faucet water.

Addition of the new indicating feature affords a simple means of checking the exhaustion point of the bed. A dark blue color in its regenerated state, the Monobed becomes a yellowish brown when exhausted, enabling the user to watch the latter color travel down the bed as exhaustion advances and thus know when to replace the resins.

Princeton's Training Program

WHEN the war ended in 1945, returning veterans called for advanced study in plastics. To meet this unexpected demand, Princeton's Plastics Program, which was just beginning to materialize, was immediately incorporated in the Graduate Curriculum that fall and, a few months later, a sizeable plastics research project was initiated.

Sponsored by the School of Engineering and administered by a Plastics Committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Louis F. Rahm, the plastics program is guided by two outside advisory committees which help formulate and direct its educational and research activities. The Plastics Advisory Council, headed by G. K. Scribner of Boonton Molding Co., represents industrial management in the fields of research, materials, conversion, and equipment, and advises on the educational and technical needs of the plastics industry; the Services Techni-

cal Committee, under the leadership of A. W. Rogers, represents the Army, Navy, and Air Force, and advises on the government-sponsored research program. The curriculum is composed of five courses.

In the May 25th edition of a New York newspaper, Macy's announces polyethylene bottles at a retail price of 16¢ for a 2-oz. bottle and 19¢ for the 4-oz. size. A zippered vinyl kit containing three 2-oz. bottles with colorful plastic closures was offered at 94¢ plus federal tax of 10¢.

MODERN PLASTICS congratulates Macy's and the makers of the bottles and kits offered by them on establishing a policy of realistic pricing for mass markets. Having attacked the subject with some editorial vigor in our February 1950 issue—in which we pointed out that empty 4-oz. polyethylene bottles at 59¢ and three such bottles in a vinyl kit at \$3.50 retail was fantastic pricing and likely to have an adverse effect on larger markets ahead—MODERN PLASTICS modestly takes some credit for the obviously worthwhile trend toward realistic pricing of squeeze bottles as evidenced in Macy's offering.

Sealing Polyethylene Film

CONTINUOUS sealing of polyethylene film has been made possible by a new method introduced by the Technical Service Section, Cellophane Div., E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc. The development makes use of specially prepared finishes containing fine particles of Teflon tetrafluoroethylene resin which, after fusing at 750° F., will provide metal surfaces with a non-stick coating.

The rotary sealing wheel of the machine is aluminum; it is provided with suitable heating elements and thermostat control. The Teflon-coated sealing surface of the wheel is about 1/8 in. wide. The wheel is

mounted in the conventional position on a standard heat-sealing machine and counterbalanced with an adjustable weight. Cotton tape and sheet Teflon cover the forming plate at the point of contact with the sealing wheel.

According to the company, it is possible to seal polyethylene at speeds up to 100 ft. per min. with this process and equipment.

Boilable Vinyl Film

INTRODUCTION to the market of a new 4-gage calendered vinyl film, to sell at the standard price of other vinyl films, has been announced by The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. The new film, intended primarily for baby pants, is soft; will stand prolonged washing in hot soapy water; has gone through boiling tests of 60 hr. in clear water and 12 hr. in soapy water with a 1% detergent solution.

The new film can be printed and high-frequency sealed; according to the producer, it has a lower tendency to mar than other vinyl films. It will be available at a later date in a series of colors, but is available now only in colorless translucent. The same material will be useful for dress shields, crib sheets, or any other type of application where the product needs to be placed in a washing machine.

Transparent Aircraft Enclosures

WHEN high-speed pressurized aircraft replaced unpressurized military craft toward the end of the war, the monolithic acrylic sheeting employed in the transparent enclosures in the earlier models was found inadequate, according to a brochure recently issued by Swedlow Plastics Co., Los Angeles, Calif. Failures of enclosures due to higher loadings and the rapid decomposition of airplanes in the event of enclosure failure became a serious hazard. The use of laminated acrylic sheeting in the same application retained many of the same limitations, according to the Swedlow report, which goes on to state that acrylic resin-bonded Fiberglas laminates for attachments or reinforcements for the acrylic enclosures are dangerous due to stresses thrown on the acrylic.

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IT is strictly *comme il faut* to give plastics gifts for the first wedding anniversary. Who says so? No less an authority than Emily Post, in the 1950 revised edition of her book, "Etiquette."

"Because the first wedding anniversary is of very great importance and paper so very limited in gift value," Mrs. Post explains, "the trend toward making plastics the accepted first year gift is too appealing to disallow."

Monsanto Chemical Co. is planning to make Mrs. Post's recommendation the keystone of a promotion which will include a four-color ad in the *Saturday Evening Post* showing Emily Post with many plastics gift items. Monsanto will offer retail stores a kit of display material which will include reprints of the Post ad, banners, counter cards, and window trims.

Plastic Metal Casting Compound

MARKETED under the name Plasti-Metl is a new casting compound that is neither a metal nor a plastic, yet partakes of the qualities of both. Developed by the Plastics Div. of The Lockrey Co., College Point 3, N. Y., the new material is a mixture of very finely flaked copper and phenolic liquid resin which is harder when cured than some casting metals, but can be cast at room temperature. When mixed with varying amounts of a liquid acid catalyst, it will polymerize and set at room temperature without heat, or in an oven at low temperatures, forming a hard, tough, metallic-appearing casting that can be machined or polished with ordinary tools, according to the firm.

A thermosetting material which cannot be softened by heat, Plasti-Metl is said to be completely re-

sistant to all common chemicals except strong alkalis, and has a shrinkage of about 0.004 to 0.006 in. per inch. It can be poured into rubber, elastomer, plaster, metal, or clay molds, with or without inserts, or can be slush-molded. It is recommended as a casting for forming molds, novelties, short runs of molded parts, and machine-replacement parts.

Anti-Static Agents

TWO new anti-static agents designed specifically for use on styrene products have been announced recently. Featuring resistance to frequent wiping without losing its effectiveness is D-Stat-B, developed by Roxbury Chemical Works, Inc., Centredale 11, R. I. By eliminating unsightly dust collection due to static attraction, the colorless, odorless, inexpensive D-Stat-B is said to enhance the brilliance of the styrene product. The agent can be readily applied by dipping, brushing, or spraying.

Prevention of dirt and dust accumulation, thereby reducing scratches on styrene products, is also the objective of Anstac-PS, an anti-static agent produced by Chemical Development Corp., Danvers, Mass. Anstac-PS has a high affinity for styrene, and is said to last indefinitely under normal handling. The low-cost, fast-drying product can be applied by a quick dip or by swabbing with a cloth.

S. P. I. Elections

REELECTED president of The Society of The Plastics Industry at the organization's recent annual business meeting was Horace Gooch, Jr., a founder and currently treasurer of Worcester Moulded Plastics Co., Worcester, Mass. A veteran in the industry, Mr. Gooch observed: "At the rate the plastics industry has been going the first four months of this year, there are indications of a 10% increase in production of plastics raw materials for 1950. . . . On an over-all industry-wide basis,

production of these materials, it is now estimated, will approximate 1,650 million lb. for the year."

Other officers elected are: chairman of the board, George H. Clark, vice-president, The Formica Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; vice-president, Spencer E. Palmer, assistant vice-president, Tennessee Eastman Corp., Kingsport, Tenn.; and secretary-treasurer, J. E. Gould, vice-president, Detroit Macoid Corp., Detroit.

Tableware Cleanser

STAINS and discolorations on plastic tableware can now be removed by a new compound in a simple dip process, according to Maid-Easy Cleansing Products Corp., Mt. Vernon, N. Y., manufacturer of the stain remover. Called M-E Plastic Cleaner, this oxygen-generating compound is odorless and tasteless, and contains no chlorine with its attendant odor and possible etching effect. Prolonged immersion is said to leave no after-effects.

Also being offered by this company are daily dishwashing compounds incorporating the same oxygen-generating properties which clean and are reported to give additional luster to plastic ware.

Vinyl Film Operation

WITH the announcement by W. O'Neil, chairman of the board and president of The General Tire and Rubber Co., that production of vinyl film has commenced at the firm's Jeannette, Pa., plant, a major addition to the concern's operation was disclosed. Capacity production of vinyl film is expected shortly.

Sheet Molding

PRODUCTION of custom-molded sheet-plastic forms and packages having extra strength and unusual clarity are features of a new process developed by Tut, Inc., Auburn, N. Y. Called Tuformit, the method is adapted to special custom specifications where thin-wall boxes, dust covers, plastic displays, and specialized packaging units or component parts are required.

Among the advantages claimed for this process—in which plastic sheet stock is formed in fiber molds—are excellent clarity; strength and toughness produced by heat treatments; and smooth surface through

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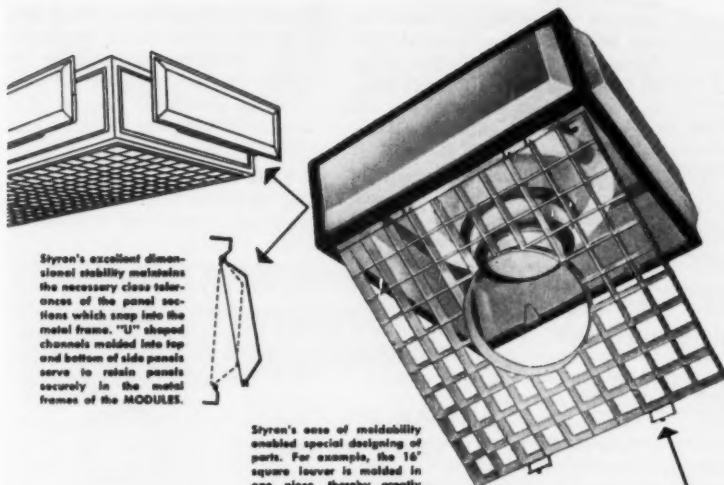
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Available in special white colors, Styron gave necessary degree of light transmission and diffusion for fluorescent lighting fixtures.

Module lighting unit manufactured and distributed by Mitchell Manufacturing Company, Chicago 14, Illinois. Side panels molded by U. S. Plastics Corporation, 2835-59 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago 18, Ill. Louver molded by Ger-El Mfg. Co., 2446 So. Indiana Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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Lacquer for Vinyl

DEVELOPMENT of a new type of synthetic lacquer that permits designs to be screen printed on vinyl has been announced by The Monroe Sander Corp., Long Island City, N. Y. The product, which is said to eliminate the puckering often encountered in screen printing, is available in a variety of colors. The lacquer can be used on curtains, draperies, and tablecloths; vinyl inflatables; sheets and other baby items; and advertising displays.

Coatings

A LINE of ready-mixed vinyl coatings is being offered by James Lithgow Co., Inc., Los Angeles 22, Calif. The coatings, marketed under the trade name Calvinaac, are air drying and non-toxic and can be applied to wood or metal by brush, spray, or dipping. They are claimed to be highly dielectric; to be resistant to alcohol, acids, salts, alkalis, and fumes; and to be particularly effective in protecting petroleum equipment.

Calvoseal, a coating created for concrete, masonry, and plaster, is said to dry with the evaporation of water and, once dry, is impervious to moisture. A selection of standard colors is offered.

Rubber Reenforcing Resin

IMPROVED production processing of shoe sole stocks is said to result from using a new rubber reenforcing resin developed by the Chemical Div., The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio. Similar to Pliolite S-6, the new resin will be marketed as Pliolite S-6B and can be incorporated in rubber by any of the established techniques as

well as by the direct Banbury mixing method.

Said to give greater plasticizing action at lower processing temperatures, the improved resin can be used in shorter and more rapid mixing cycles. In addition to shoe sole stocks, the product can be used in rubber flooring, wire insulation, gaskets, hose, and coated fabrics.

Polyamide Suspensoids

SEMI-commercial quantities of new, opaque-white, water suspensions of polyamide resins are now being offered by General Mills Research Laboratories, Minneapolis 13, Minn. Formed by the condensation of dimerized vegetable oil acids with ethylene diamine, they are widely used as heat-sealing adhesives and as water-vapor resistant coatings for paper, plastic films, and metal foils. According to General Mills, these suspensoids have a relatively high percentage of solids; eliminate the need for using hot-melt equipment or flammable solvents; make it possible to control the penetration of resin coatings into paper or other materials; and are relatively odor-free.

The resins are said to heat seal and adhere firmly to a wide variety of materials including fabrics, metals, paper, leather, plastic films, and wood, and are resistant to water, grease, and oil.

COMPANY NOTES

Pittsburgh Coke & Chemical Co., 1970 Grant Bldg., Pittsburgh 19, Pa., will soon join the firms producing and marketing a full line of plasticizers. The line will include: dibutyl, dioctyl, and diisooctyl phthalates; diisooctyl and nonyl adipate; dioctyl and dibutyl sebacate.

Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa., has announced that two executives have exchanged positions in order to bring about closer cooperation and understanding between different company divisions. **Tom Turner**, vice president, will

take charge of plant labor relations, succeeding **W. O. Lippman**, vice president, who will replace him as head of the Elevator Division.

John Waldron Corp., New Brunswick, N. J., has acquired **Meadows Machine Works** of South Kearney, N. J. The present line of the former company's heavy-duty web-processing machinery will now be supplemented by the Waldron-Meadows medium duty machines for the converting industry. **William J. Cullen**, founder and general manager of Meadows, has joined Waldron in an official capacity.

Panelite Div., St. Regis Paper Co. announces its entry into the injection molding field, with equipment at its Trenton, N. J., plant. One machine is now in production; a second being installed is reported to be capable of producing the largest single injection molded pieces yet attained. A new building has been designed specifically for the purpose, with complete facilities provided for air scrubbing.

Crain-Ambrose Co., Ltd., P. O. Box 7023, Fort Worth 11, Texas, has purchased from **French Williams Co.** entire rights to distribution of the new-type molds reported on page 172, May MODERN PLASTICS. The mold parts are cast by patented process from inexpensive patterns of plastics, plaster of paris, wood, and other easily worked materials. Crain-Ambrose announces that it has added a die-polishing and matching department to assure its customers of the advantages and time saving involved in tooling. The company will polish the cavities or cores of straight parting surfaces and will polish and match the parting surfaces of irregular castings.

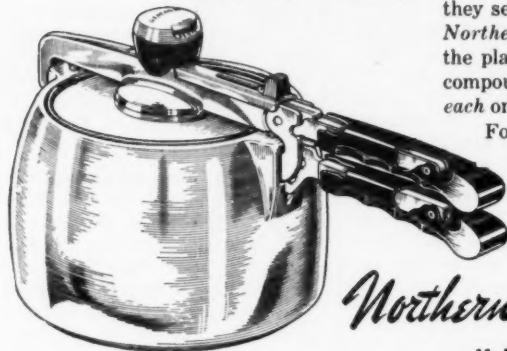
Ideal Novelty & Toy Co., New York, N. Y., has promoted two sales executives to posts as officers of the company. **I. H. Bernhard** becomes assistant vice-president in charge of sales, while **Irving Cohen** has been named assistant vice-president in charge of Mid-West sales activities.

Reichhold Chemicals, Inc., Detroit, Mich., has acquired **Nobell Resins Co.**, Azusa, Calif., which will be operated as the firm's Pacific Southern Div. under the general supervision of **M. W. Reece**. This transaction provides the company with facilities for manufacturing a wide

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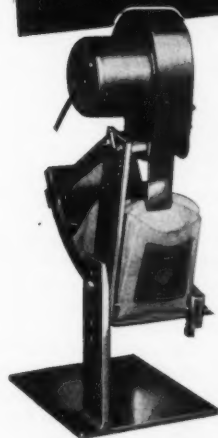
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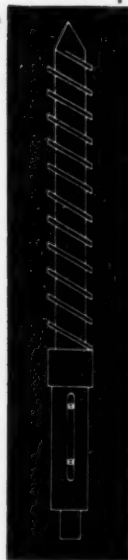
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Erie Resistor Corp., Erie, Pa., has announced the expansion of its Plastics Div. with the purchase of a new building having two and a half times the present space. The company has installed two 60-oz. injection presses, along with three of smaller capacity. The machines will use about two carloads of molding powder a week.

American Electro Products, Inc., 1358 Thomaston Ave., Waterbury 14, Conn., has announced completion of facilities for metallizing plastics. Finishes may be copper, nickel, silver, gold or any other metal with high luster or satin finish.

Bakelite Div., Union Carbide and Carbon Corp., has announced plans for a new plant at South Charleston, W. Va., for the production of polyethylene. Plant capacity is expected to almost double the present production rate of Bakelite polyethylene. The new facilities, which are scheduled to be in full operation by the summer of 1951, will be operated by the Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Division.

Precision Extruders, Inc., producer of polyethylene squeeze bottles, has moved to a new plant located at 55 Westervelt Ave., Hawthorne, N. J.

Atlas Powder Co. announces the appointment of **Joseph H. Harris** as sales manager of the North Chicago branch of the Industrial Finishes Department. **Avery Doolittle** succeeds him as manager of customer service. **Benedict H. Meyer** has been named representative for Zapon finishes in Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and western Missouri, with headquarters in Des Moines.

Monsanto Chemical Co., St. Louis, Mo., has announced some personnel changes in its research staff. **Howard K. Nason** has been appointed assistant to **Dr. C. A. Hochwalt**, vice president and coordinator of research, development, and patent activities, and will be succeeded by **Dr. Nicholas Samaras** as director of the Central Research Department.

Harold W. Mohrman will take **Dr. Samaras'** place as director of the Plastics Div. research department with **Erwin G. Somogyi** as associate director.

Process Industries Engineers, Inc., 5941 Baum Blvd., Pittsburgh 6, Pa., has announced the formation of a manufacturing division to accommodate the demands for fabrication of specially engineered equipment for the chemical, petroleum, food, and allied industries.

Plax Corp., Hartford, Conn., manufacturer of extruded plastics products, has moved its New York sales office to International Building, 630 Fifth Ave.

Acheson Colloids Corp., Port Huron, Mich., manufacturer of dispersed pigments for paints, coatings, inks, textiles, and plastics, has opened new headquarters for the Dispersed Pigments Div. at 420 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y. The new department headquarters and staff will be headed by **George Houston**, recently named technical sales representative of that division.

Sterling Electric Motors, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif., has elected **Carl E. Johnson**, former president of the firm, chairman of the board. **Earl Mendenhall** will assume the presidential duties.

General Electric Co., Pittsfield, Mass., has named **G. S. Berge** as sales development supervisor for silicone rubber, while **J. A. Buckley** has been appointed to the same position for extruded plastics products. **John H. Field** will become general foreman at the Decatur, Ill., plant of the Plastics Div., and **Henry Semler** has been named manager, succeeding **Halsey J. Sorrell** who has been appointed to sales duties with headquarters in Chicago.

The Dow Chemical Co., Midland, Mich., has announced the appointment of **Leland A. Doan** as assistant sales manager of the Great Western Div. with headquarters at San Francisco. **Homer L. White** will succeed him as head of the Los Angeles

office. **Parker Frisselle** has been named manager of Market Research.

Rohm & Haas Co. has moved the New York City offices of its Plastics Dept. to more adequate quarters at 350 Fifth Ave., Room 4919.

American Cyanamid Co., New York, N. Y., has announced the formation of the Dyes and Chemicals Export Dept. which will handle all foreign activities in connection with the products of the company's Calco Chemical Div., Industrial Chemicals Div., and Plastics and Resins Div. The combined department will be under the direction of **Fraser M. Moffat, Jr.**

Mayflower Electronic Devices, Inc., 6014 Hudson Blvd., W. New York, N. J., has designed and built an automatic electronic bonding machine for Plastic Film Corp. The machine turns out a complete pinch-pleat drape every 10 sec. and also bonds the rod pocket on the drape. Mayflower also announces that it is building an automatic rotary quilting machine which welds two pieces of vinyl film through a 3-oz. cotton batting filling.

Koppers Co., Inc. has announced that it has taken over compounding and marketing the Resorsabond adhesives developed by **Emlenton Resins Co.**, Emlenton, Pa. No transfer of property or equipment is involved in the arrangement.

Aircraft Specialties Co., Inc., 37 W. John St., Hicksville, N. Y., has announced the formation of a new division to manufacture Strux under license agreement with **E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc.** Formerly marketed as CCA, this cellular cellulose acetate is an expanded plastic material made by an extrusion process and used chiefly in the fields of aviation and electronics. It is said to be well adapted to sandwich construction because of strength and because it may be used with relatively high temperatures. **Dan B. Hains** has been named vice president and general manager of the Strux Div. with **Henry F. Weinkam** as production manager.

United States Gasket Co., 602 N. 10th St., Camden, N. J., has announced that it is now ready to make immediate delivery from a wide selection of Teflon stock. Available are Teflon sheets and strips, blocks,

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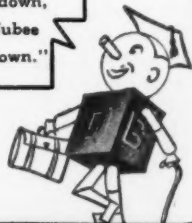
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Banner Plastics Corp. has moved to 80 Beckwith Ave., Paterson, N. J., where it will occupy 200,000 sq. ft. on one floor of the old Wright Aeronautical building. The company proposes to set up one of the most modern toy manufacturing plants in the world.

PERSONNEL

Charles W. Kleiderer has been elected vice president of **Arnold Brilhart, Ltd.**, Mineola, N. Y. He will also continue in his present capacity as sales manager. Mr. Kleiderer was coordinator of plastics used in the proximity fuse program during World War II.

John C. Cotner has been appointed president of **The Hydraulic Press Mfg. Co.**, Mount Gilead, Ohio. Mr. Cotner has been president of the Logansport Machine Co., Inc., Logansport, Ind., vice president of Gerotor May, Inc., Baltimore, Md., and president of Consolidated Industries, Lafayette, Ind.

David B. Hatcher has been moved up to the position of sales manager for glues and industrial resins of **Plaskon Div., Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co.** Dr. Hatcher was formerly an associate director of Plaskon research.

Lloyd R. Marentette has been appointed general sales manager of **Cadillac Plastic Co.**, Detroit, Mich. **Elmer L. McIntire** also joins the firm's sales organization.

Clyde O. DeLong has been named general manager of the plastics division of **The B. F. Goodrich Co.** in charge of manufacturing and sales. Mr. DeLong, whose headquarters

are in the company plant at Marietta, Ohio, became associated with the firm in 1928.

C. Elmer Gischel has been named sales promotion manager for **Heli-Coil Corp.**, Long Island City, N. Y.

Thomas C. Hardwick has been appointed sales representative for the Columbia Chemical Div. of **Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.** at Charlotte, N. C. He joined the company in 1946.

Al Neveu, 16 Williams St., Taunton, Mass., has joined the sales department of **Plastic Molding Corp.**, Sandy Hook, Conn. He will handle sales in the northeastern New England states.

Kenneth Vandenberg has been appointed assistant sales manager of **The Standard Machinery Co.**, Mystic, Conn., manufacturer of extruding machines for the plastics, rubber, and insulated wire industries.

Robert H. Kittner has been named production manager of **Industrial Rayon Corp.** with headquarters at the company's general offices in the Union Commerce Building, Cleveland, Ohio. He was formerly with The Glenn L. Martin Co.

Charles P. Joslyn has resigned as manager of the **General Products Div. of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.** to enter his own private business. He has been with the firm since 1926.

Mario J. Petretti, 1831 Northampton St., Holyoke, Mass., has resigned as assistant to the president in charge of manufacturing for **Rogers Plastic Corp.**, West Warren, Mass.

John Neuman has been named plant manager of **Midland Die & Engraving Co.**, Chicago, Ill. He previously owned and operated **Newark Plastic Molds**, Newark, Ohio.

Ralph B. Symons has been appointed exclusive representative in the six New England States for **The Sinclair-Collins Valve Co.**, Akron, Ohio, manufacturer of automatic valves and cycle controllers for the plastic and rubber industries. His

headquarters are at 3571 Main Rd., Tiverton, R. I.

Myron A. Wick, Jr., has been elected president of **Plastic Manufacturers, Inc.**, Stamford, Conn., contract manufacturer of plastics parts and plastics and metal assemblies to specification.

Robert D. Sackett has been named a technical service representative in the thermoplastics sales department of **Monsanto Chemical Co.'s** Plastics Division.

Wallace B. Ross has joined the staff of **Thermold Corp.**, Clinton, N. Y., as vice-president and manager of sales. He was formerly vice-president of Diemolding Corp.

Edmond J. Hagan has been appointed sales representative for the Press and Power Tool Dept. of **The Baldwin Locomotive Works**, Philadelphia 42, Pa. Mr. Hagan will cover northern New Jersey, New York, and New England, working out of the New York District Sales Office.

Nathan Lester, founder and president of Lester Engineering Corp. and Lester-Phoenix Inc., Cleveland, Ohio, died suddenly on June 10 at the age of 66. Mr. Lester, known and beloved by the entire plastics industry, was one of the earliest pioneers in the development and production of injection molding equipment in the United States.

MEETINGS

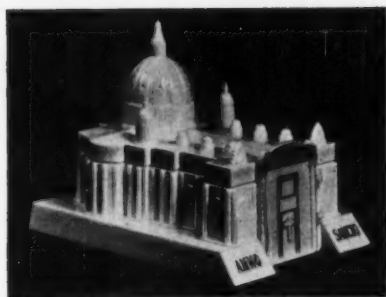
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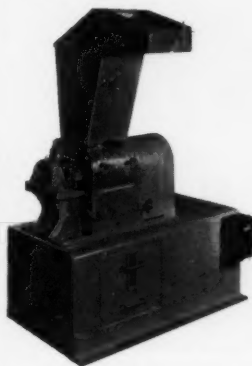
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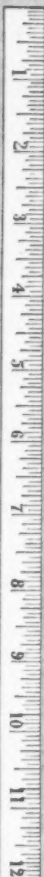
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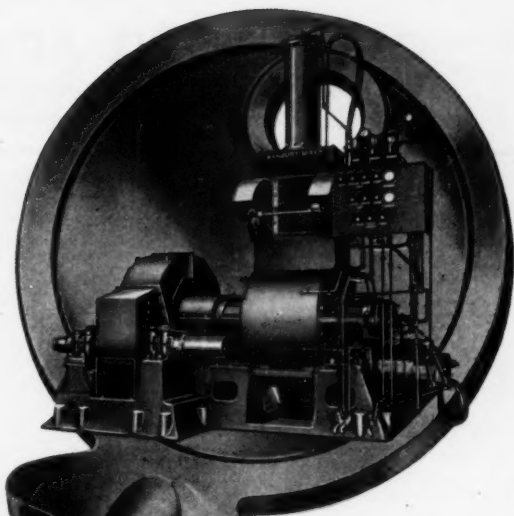
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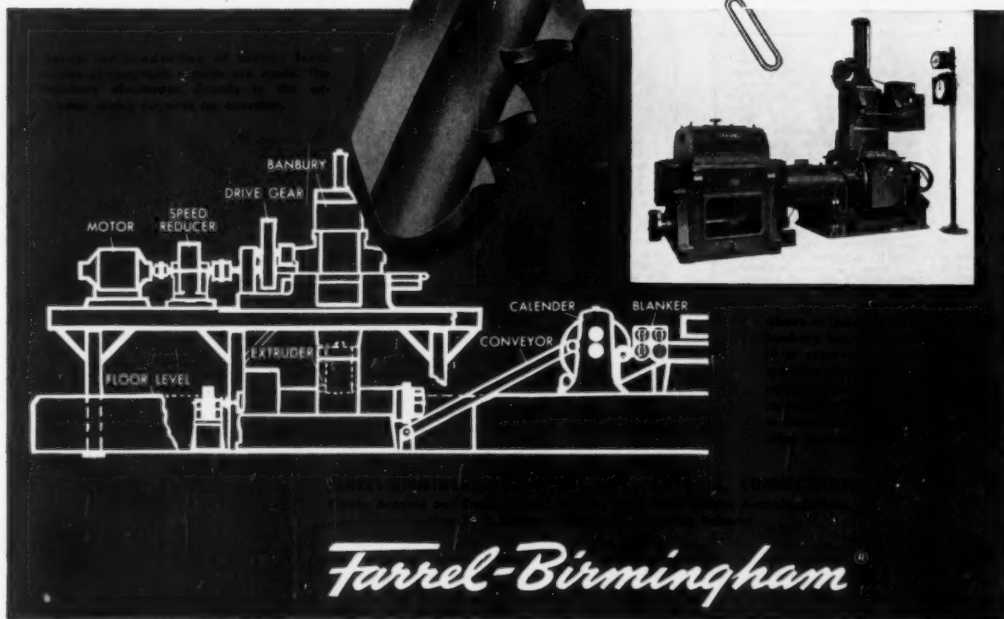
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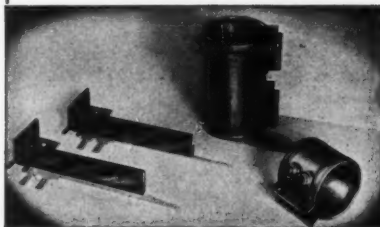


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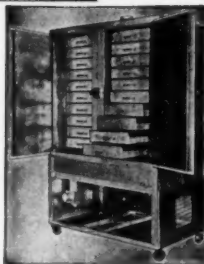
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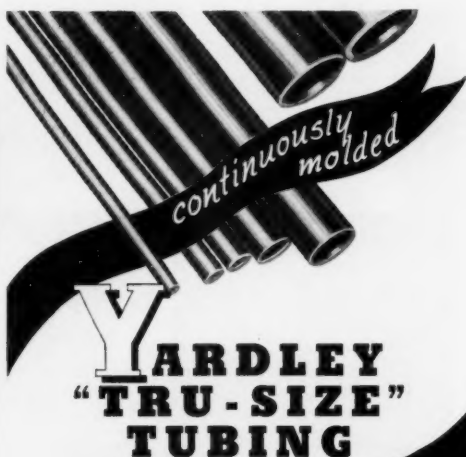
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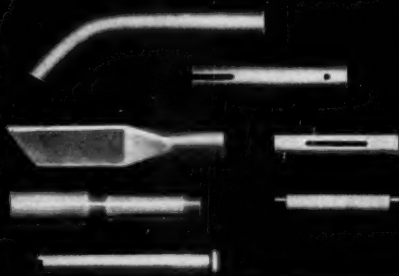


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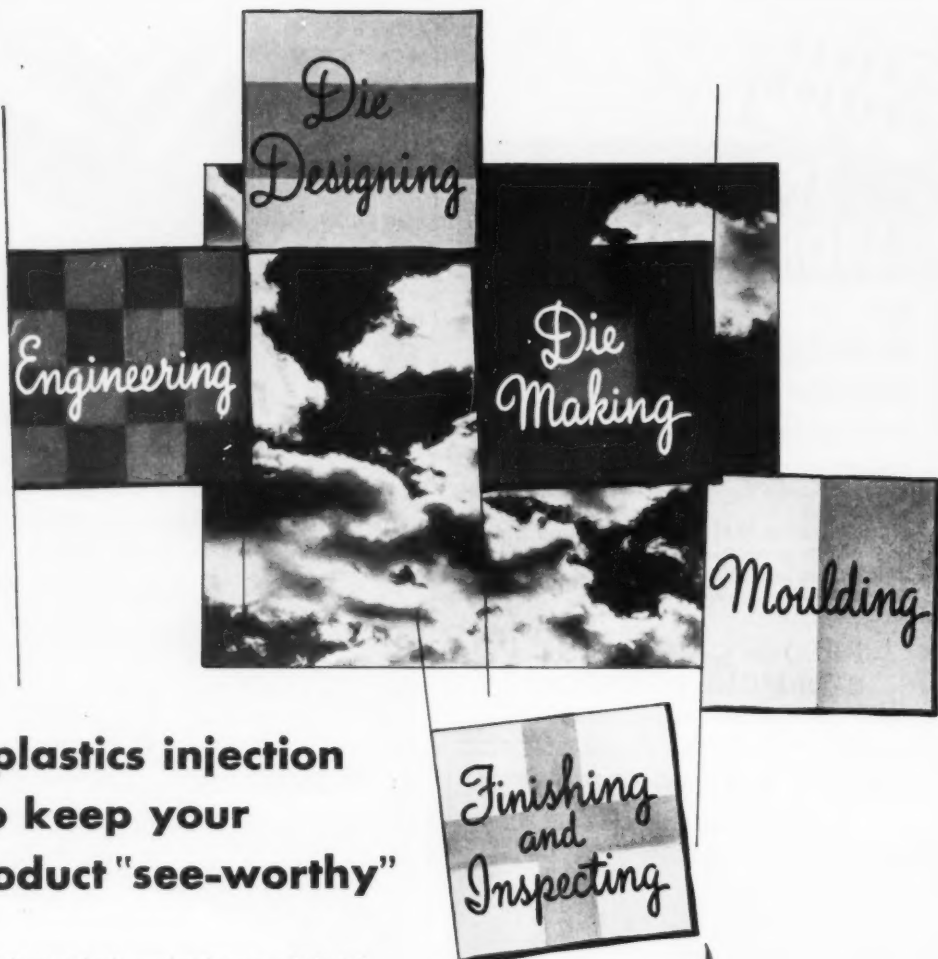
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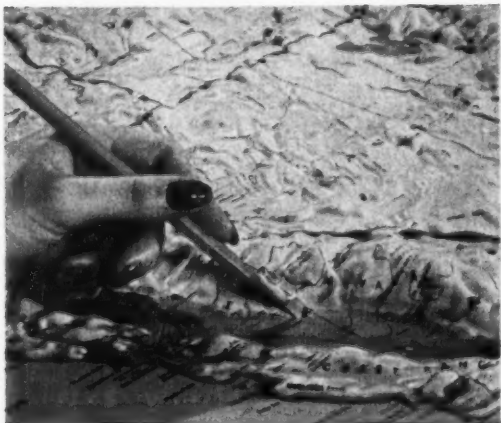


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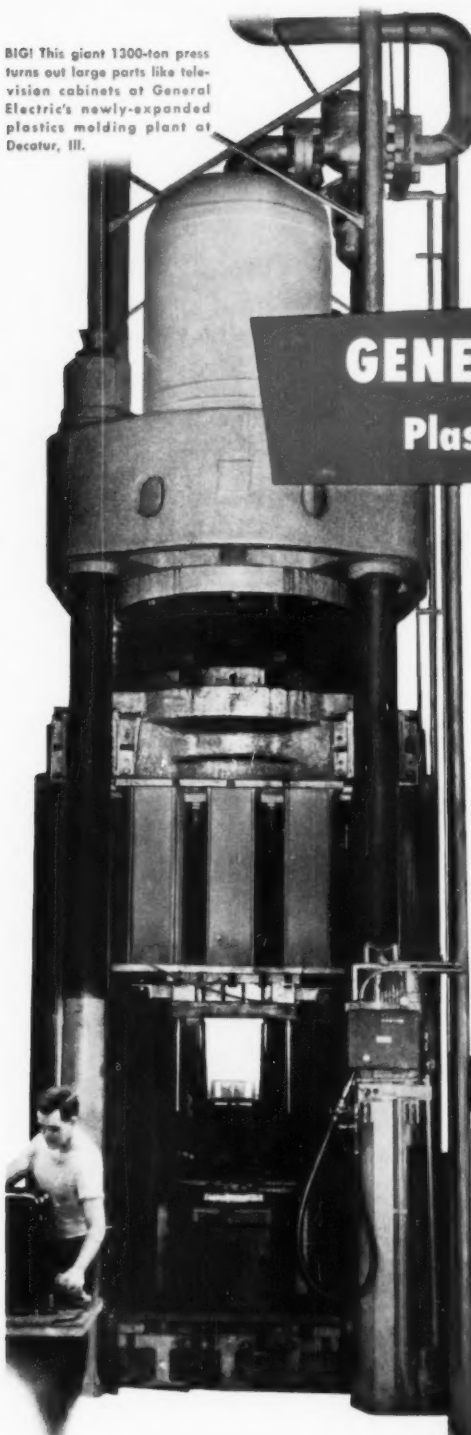
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